



AMBROSE D. COUNTRYMAN  
M. W. GRAND MASTER OF MASONS OF MINNESOTA,  
1902.

PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
GRAND LODGE  
OF  
A. F. & A. M.  
OF  
MINNESOTA

AT THE FIFTIETH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

(GOLDEN JUBILEE)

HELD AT

ST. PAUL, FEBRUARY 24 AND 25,

1903.

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M. W. HENRY R. ADAMS, Minneapolis, Grand Master.  
R. W. THOMAS MONTGOMERY, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.

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ORDERED TO BE READ IN ALL THE LODGES.

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ST. PAUL, MINN.:  
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## OFFICERS GRAND LODGE A. F. & A. M. OF MINNESOTA.

Installed February 25, 1903.

### ELECTED.

HENRY R. ADAMS, Minneapolis.....M'. W'. Grand Master  
WILLIAM A. MCGONAGLE, Duluth.....R'. W'. Deputy Grand Master  
HENRY M. TUSLER, St. Paul.....R'. W'. Senior Grand Warden  
THOMAS MORRIS, Crookston.....R'. W'. Junior Grand Warden  
DAVID W. KNOWLTON, Minneapolis.....R'. W'. Grand Treasurer  
THOMAS MONTGOMERY, St. Paul....R'. W'. Grand Secretary

### APPOINTED.

JOHN C. BENNETT, St. Paul.....W'. Grand Orator  
ALFRED G. PINKHAM, Owatonna.....W'. Grand Chaplain  
JOSEPH H. JOHNSON, Minneapolis.....W'. Senior Grand Deacon  
GUSTAF WIDELL, Mankato.....W'. Junior Grand Deacon  
CHARLES L. SAWYER, Minneapolis.....W'. Grand Marshal  
JOHN D. CARROLL, Newport.....W'. Grand Standard Bearer  
R. A. W. McLEOD, Lake City.....W'. Grand Sword Bearer  
H. W. HENDRICKSON, Montevideo.....W'. Senior Grand Steward  
EDWIN H. FOOT, Red Wing.....W'. Junior Grand Steward  
EUGENE E. SWAN, Stewart.....W'. Grand Pursuivant  
CHARLES J. KRUGER, St. Paul.....W'. Grand Tyler

### COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

IRVING TODD, Hastings. THOS. MONTGOMERY, St. Paul  
GEORGE R. METCALF, St. Paul.

### BOARD OF CUSTODIANS.

CHARLES GRISWOLD, N. St. Paul, Chairman. WM. B. PATTON, Duluth  
DAVID W. KNOWLTON, Minneapolis. WM. R. SMITH, Benson.  
JOHN H. SPROUT, Blue Earth.

## OFFICERS GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS.

Installed October 14, 1902.

EBEN E. CORLISS, Fergus Falls.....M'. E'. Grand High Priest  
THOMAS MONTGOMERY, St. Paul (P. G. H. P.) R'. E'. Grand Secretary

## OFFICERS GRAND COUNCIL ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS.

Installed October 13, 1902.

EBEN E. CORLISS, Fergus Falls.....M'. I'. Grand Master  
THOMAS MONTGOMERY, St. Paul.....R'. I'. Grand Recorder

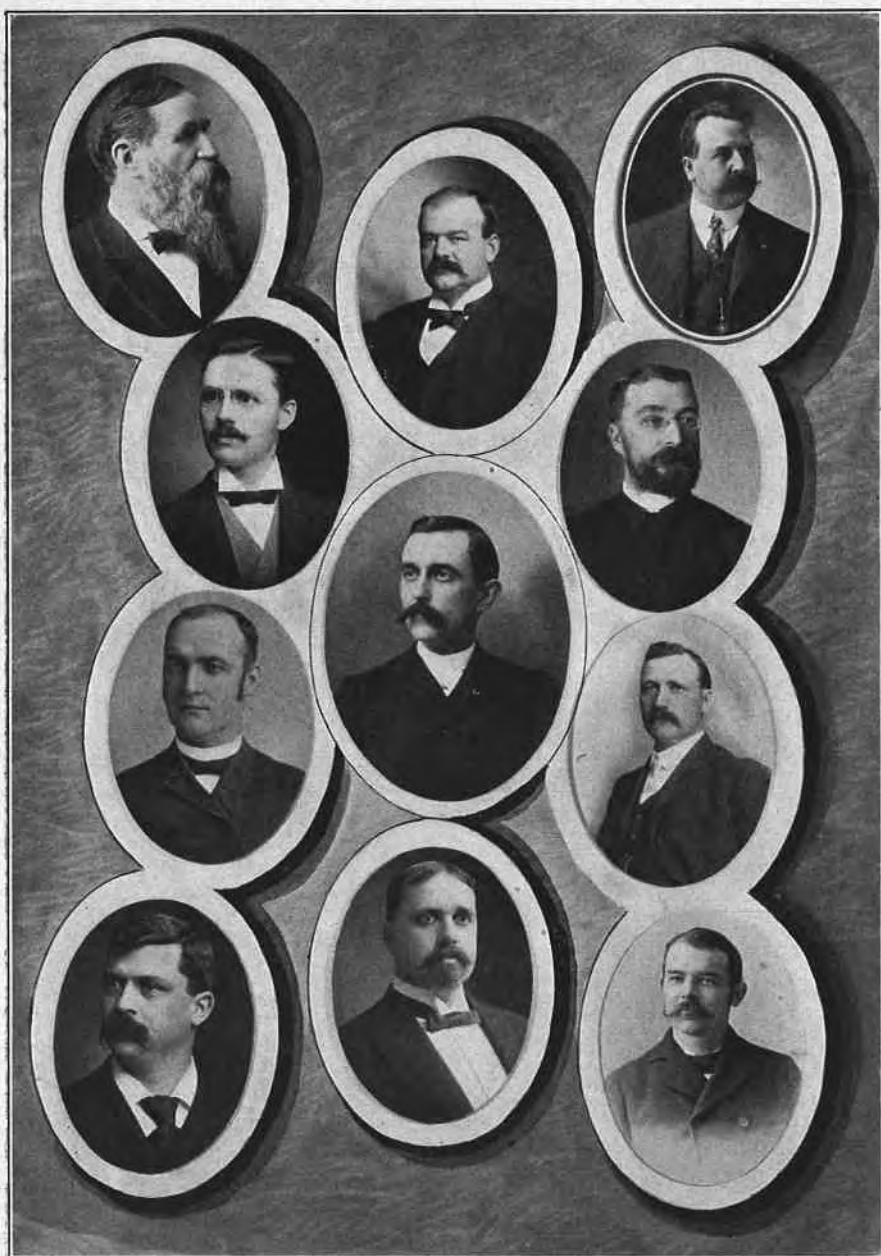
## OFFICERS GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

Installed April 30, 1902.

ROLAND H. HARTLEY, Minneapolis.....R'. E'. Grand Commander  
THOMAS MONTGOMERY, St. Paul (P. G. C.).....E'. Grand Recorder

## RULES FOR MASONIC DATES.

1. *Ancient Craft Masons*—Add 4000 to the current year, thus:  
A. D. 1903+4000=A'. L'. (*Anno Lucis*—year of light) 5903.
2. *Royal Arch Masons*—Add 530 to the current year, thus: A. D.  
1903+530=A'. I'. (*Anno Inventionis*—year of discovery) 2303.
3. *Royal and Select Masters*—Add 1000 to the current year, thus:  
A. D. 1903+1000=A'. Dep'. (*Anno Depositionis*—year of deposit) 2903.
4. *Knights Templar*—Subtract 1118 from the current year, thus:  
A. D. 1903-1118=A'. O'. (*Anno Ordinis*—year of the Order) 785.



Henry M. Tusler, S. G. Warden.  
John C. Bennett, G. Orator.  
Joseph H. Johnson, S. G. Deacon.  
Chas. L. Sawyer, G. Marshal.

Wm. A. McGonagle, D. G. Master.  
HENRY R. ADAMS,  
M. V. W. Grand Master.  
D. W. Knowlton, G. Treas. and Custodian.

Thomas Morris, J. G. Warden.  
Alfred G. Pinkham, G. Chaplain.  
Gustaf Widell, J. G. Deacon.  
John D. Carroll, G. St. Bearer.





R. A. W. McLeod, G. Swd. Bearer.  
Eugene E. Swan, G. Pursuivant.  
Wm. B. Patton, Custodian.  
Wm. R. Smith, Custodian.

H. W. Hendrickson, S. G. Steward.  
**THOMAS MONTGOMERY,**  
R. W. Grand Secretary.  
Chas. Griswold, Custodian.

Edwin H. Foot, J. G. Steward.  
Chas. J. Kruger, G. Tyler.  
Irving Todd, Correspondent.  
John H. Sprout, Custodian.

# PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## M.:W.: Grand Lodge of A.:F.: & A.:M.:

OF MINNESOTA.

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### FIFTIETH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION.

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ST. PAUL, Tuesday, Feb. 24, 1903.

The fiftieth annual communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota was held in the Masonic Hall, on Fifth street, in the City of St. Paul, commencing at high twelve on Tuesday, Feb. 24, A. D. 1903, A.: L.: 5903.

This being the Golden Jubilee of Grand Lodge the committee on same had the spacious hall very handsomely decorated. Bunting was tastefully arranged in front of the galleries, on which appeared shields with the names of all Past Grand Masters thereon; red, white and blue streamers were pendant from the lofty ceiling; on the sides of the arch in the East appeared the names of the founders of Grand Lodge, while "Old Glory" was conspicuous in both the East and West.

All the Grand Officers were present. During the session 216 lodges were represented out of 228 on the roll.

The Grand Lodge was opened in AMPLE FORM by Grand Master A. D. Countryman. Past Grand Master Charles Griswold offered prayer, the Grand Chaplain being absent at the opening.

Grand Secretary Montgomery appointed Bros. E. C. Shibley (191) and Robert B. Ware (163) his assistants.

Visiting brethren were assigned to seats in the gallery.

The Grand Master appointed the following Committee on Credentials: Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, Robert B. Ware (163) and Harry F. Weis (45).

Proxies were called for. The Grand Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment until 2:30 p. m.

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### AFTERNOON SESSION.

ST. PAUL, Tuesday, Feb. 24, 1903.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 2:30 p. m.

Bro. S. S. Kilvington, W. M. of Albert Pike Lodge No. 237, by permission of the Grand Master, then presented each of the following named brethren a handsomely engraved Certificate of Honorary Membership in his lodge, prefacing the presentation with a few complimentary remarks in each case: M. W. Alonzo Brandenburg, Past Grand Master; M. W. Ambrose D. Countryman, Grand Master; R. W. Henry R. Adams, Deputy Grand Master; R. W. Thomas Montgomery, Grand Secretary; W. Henry M. Tusler, Senior Grand Deacon, and W. Bros. George H. Daggett (112) and William P. Roberts (4).

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

A roll of all brethren entitled to seats having been prepared by the Grand Secretary, those present, including proxies, were noted at the roll call, and the committee, after reporting, were continued to make additions and corrections during the session. The following is their corrected report:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Credentials respectfully report that there are present seventeen Grand Officers, eighteen permanent members and 382 representatives of 216 out of 228 active chartered Lodges, including seventy-eight proxies, as follows:

## GRAND OFFICERS.

Ambrose D. Countryman.....	M. W.	Grand Master
Henry R. Adams.....	R. W.	Deputy Grand Master
William A. McGonagle.....	R. W.	Senior Grand Warden
Enoch Stott.....	R. W.	Junior Grand Warden
David W. Knowlton.....	R. W.	Grand Treasurer
Thomas Montgomery.....	R. W.	Grand Secretary
Wellington C. Masterman.....	W.	Grand Orator
Horace A. Chouinard.....	W.	Grand Chaplain
Henry M. Tusler.....	W.	Senior Grand Deacon
John D. Carroll.....	W.	Junior Grand Deacon
Tom Morris.....	W.	Grand Marshal
H. W. Hendrickson.....	W.	Grand Standard Bearer
Gustaf Widell.....	W.	Grand Sword Bearer
Charles L. Sawyer.....	W.	Senior Grand Steward
John H. Anderson.....	W.	Junior Grand Steward
Edward C. Baird.....	W.	Grand Pursuivant
Charles J. Kruger.....	W.	Grand Tyler

## PERMANENT MEMBERS.

*Past Grand Masters*—Charles W. Nash, Charles Griswold, Edward W. Durant, Henry R. Wells, Henry R. Denny, Calvin L. Brown, Alonzo T. Stebbins, Alonzo Brandenburg, Gideon S. Ives.

*Past Deputy Grand Masters*—George H. Davis, Charles L. West.

*Past Senior Grand Wardens*—Thomas J. Lombard, Samuel E. Adams, Edgar Nash.

*Past Junior Grand Wardens*—Albert Marden, Henry C. Shepard, Willaim B. Patton, James D. Markham.

## REPRESENTATIVES OF LODGES, 1903.

No. 1. St. Johns.....	W. C. Masterman, W. M.	Roy G. Staples, S. W.
2. Cataract .....	Joseph S Todd, W. M.	Frank W. Campbell, proxy for J. W.
3. St. Paul.....	Albert B. Wood, W. M.	George R. Metcalf, proxy for S. W.
4. Hennepin .....	Wm. P. Roberts, proxy for W. M.	Jas. G. Houghton, proxy for S. W.
	Fred G. Dustin, J. W.	
5. Ancient Landmark..	I. B. B. Sprague, proxy for W. M.	Owen Morris, S. W.
	Lawrence Hope, J. W.	
7. Dakota .....	A. E. Johnson, W. M.	Irving Todd, proxy for S. W.
8. Red Wing.....	Edwin H. Foot, W. M.	Frank D. Putnam, S. W.
	Wm. H. Putnam, proxy for J. W.	

9. Faribault .....Walter Birch, W.' M'.  
D. E. Goodman, proxy for S.' W'.
11. Mantorville .....J. E. Whitney, W.' M'.  
L. Spurbeck, proxy for S.' W'.  
A. A. Culver, J.' W'.
12. Mankato .....Adolph O. Eberhart, W.' M'.  
Samuel B. Wilson, S.' W'.  
E. P. Rutan, proxy for J.' W'.
14. Wapahasa .....M. W. Dady, W.' M'.
16. Monticello .....F. H. Chilson, W.' M'.  
E. H. Sherwin, proxy for S.' W'.  
E. H. Sherwin, proxy for J.' W'.
17. Hokah .....J. M. Moore, proxy for W.' M'.
18. Winona .....W. Hayes Laird, W.' M'.
19. Minneapolis .....Clarence R. Smith, W.' M'.  
C. C. Reynolds, S.' W'.  
H. M. Myers, proxy for J.' W'.
20. Caledonia .....Chas. Scofield, proxy for W.' M'.
21. Rochester .....A. T. Stebbins, proxy for W.' M'.
22. Pleasant Grove.....Wm. Smith, J.' W'.
23. North Star.....Wm. H. Thompson, W.' M'.  
Fred A. Ranney, S.' W'.
24. Wilton .....Wm. H. Schreiber, J.' W'.
26. Western Star .....W. W. Parker, proxy for W.' M'.  
L. A. Hanes, S.' W'.  
Nels Sorenson, proxy for J.' W'.
27. Blue Earth Valley..A. L. Doeg, W.' M'.
28. Clear Water.....George Ring, W.' M'.
29. Morning Star.....Joseph Robillard, W.' M'.
30. Anoka .....Frank Hart, proxy for S.' W'.
31. King Hiram.....Geo. Osborne Orr, W.' M'.  
W. H. Phillips, S.' W'.
32. Sakatah .....Jacob Edelman, J.' W'.  
Bert L. Blair, W.' M'.  
Frank W. Farrington, S.' W'.
33. Star in the East....C. J. Balch, W.' M'.  
A. G. Pinkham, J.' W'.
34. Oriental .....Nils N. Monson, W.' M'.
35. Mount Moriah.....A. M. Hayes, W.' M'.
36. Preston .....A. B. Smith, W.' M'.
37. Mystic Tie.....W. W. Jewell, proxy for W.' M'.
38. Washington .....H. W. Severns, W.' M'.  
D. C. Gardner, proxy for S.' W'.  
Clovis S. Day, J.' W'.
39. Fidelity .....John H. Robertson, W.' M'.  
John M. Rustad, S.' W'.



40. Carnelian ..... R. A. W. McLeod, W. M.  
A. W. Corwin, J. W.
41. Hermon ..... F. W. Fulkerson, S. W.
42. Hope ..... W. L. Tift, W. M.  
C. M. Tift, proxy for S. W.
43. Harmony ..... Not represented.
44. King Solomon ..... Chas. G. Hinds, proxy for W. M.
45. Union ..... H. F. Weis, W. M.  
D. D. Sykes, S. W.  
M. P. Curtis, J. W.
46. Evergreen ..... R. J. Walker, W. M.
47. Concord ..... George Davis, proxy for W. M.
48. Social ..... W. F. Manhart, W. M.  
W. C. Barnard, S. W.  
R. D. Kelsey, J. W.
49. Rising Sun ..... Albert F. Kuebler, W. M.
50. Watertown ..... Guy E. Halgren, W. M.  
M. L. Malsed, proxy for S. W.
51. Acacia ..... Irving T. Morey, W. M.  
Louis J. Crippen, S. W.
52. Cannon River ..... Wm. L. Eddy, W. M.  
Herbert W. Donaldson, S. W.
54. Nicollet ..... James Bennett, S. W.  
Henry A. Hildebrandt, J. W.
55. Zion ..... Not represented.
56. Meridian ..... E. W. Rossman, S. W.
57. Blue Earth City.... M. M. Freer, S. W.  
F. V. Cummings, J. W.
58. Spring Valley..... Geo. M. Warren, proxy for W. M.
59. Temple ..... Carlos Avery, W. M.
60. Star in the West.... Martin L. Webb, W. M.
61. Ashler ..... C. J. Seymour, W. M.
62. Star ..... O. W. Crawford, W. M.
63. Illustrious ..... Fred L. Gilbert, W. M.  
Ed C. Ellis, S. W.
64. Chain Lake..... E. N. Chute, W. M.
65. Golden Rule..... C. V. Holmstrom, W. M.
66. Madelia ..... Not represented.
67. Corinthian ..... O. S. Lundberg, W. M.  
C. B. Whittier, S. W.  
A. K. Gray, J. W.
69. Mystic Star..... John McLeod, W. M.  
N. H. Tofted, proxy for S. W.
71. Paynesville ..... Henry A. Wells, W. M.  
W. A. Huntington, S. W.  
A. S. Carpenter, proxy for J. W.



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72. Lansing ..... Harcor Lyons, W. M.  
Henry Sherman, proxy for S. W.  
Maurice A. Case, J. W.
73. Brownsville ..... Not represented.
75. Eureka ..... Frank E. Garner, W. M.
76. Joppa ..... John R. Anderson, W. M.  
Lysander Cook, proxy for S. W.
77. Tuscan ..... O. J. Lawson, proxy for W. M.
78. Mystic Circle ..... W. W. Parish, W. M.
79. Palestine ..... Harry G. Gearhart, W. M.  
Stanley R. Holden, S. W.
80. Henderson ..... August L. Poehler, W. M.
81. Constellation ..... Wm. T. Cowing, W. M.  
Frank E. Raiter, J. W.
82. Howard ..... T. M. Woolley, W. M.  
C. H. Corey, J. W.
83. Hiram Abi..... J. J. McCaughey, proxy for W. M.
84. Orient ..... D. W. Robinson, W. M.
85. High Forest..... M. E. Fellows, J. W.
86. Tyrian ..... L. L. Mathews, W. M.  
J. McCabe, S. W.  
M. J. Rucher, J. W.
87. Doric ..... R. F. Drake, S. W.
89. Golden Fleece..... Henderson M. Angier, W. M.  
John W. Wright, S. W.  
John W. Johnson, J. W.
90. Good Faith ..... W. W. Wold, W. M.  
Alex. Fiddes, proxy for J. W.
91. Antiquity ..... W. R. Caswell, W. M.  
F. L. Warner, S. W.  
I. N. Tompkins, J. W.
92. Fraternal ..... B. D. Grant, W. M.  
F. L. Small, S. W.  
C. H. Chadbourne, proxy for J. W.
93. Unity ..... Not represented.
94. Keystone ..... Thos. J. Murfin, W. M.  
T. F. Addy, J. W.
95. Sherburne ..... F. D. Waterman, W. M.  
C. Q. Scoboria, J. W.
96. Libanus ..... S. B. Weiser, W. M.
97. Prudence ..... E. A. Sime, W. M.  
Chas. Trautfether, S. W.
98. Charity ..... N. Henningson, W. M.
99. Corner Stone..... J. A. Vandyke, W. M.  
N. F. Field, proxy for S. W.  
J. T. Johnson, proxy for J. W.

100. Aurora .....Judd Wright, S. W.  
Milton McFadden, proxy for J. W.
101. Fraternity .....Harvey Hawley, W. M.
102. Lebanon .....Not represented.
103. Bethel .....Thos. H. Jones, W. M.  
Paul D. Neff, S. W.  
F. J. Burke, J. W.
104. Sharon .....H. J. Ramsett, proxy for S. W.
106. Mt. Tabor .....Leonard C. Weeks, W. M.
108. Relief .....O. H. Phillips, W. M.
109. Sunset .....Wm. Dunbrack, W. M.  
H. W. Hendrickson, proxy for S. W.  
G. A. Parks, J. W.
110. Pickwick .....Wm. H. Harrington, W. M.
111. Carver .....Jacob Bristle, W. M.  
Oswald C. Brunius, proxy for S. W.
112. Khurum .....George W. Stiles, W. M.  
John H. Abbott, proxy for S. W.  
Samuel B. Washburn, J. W.
113. Excelsior .....Keith L. Davidson, W. M.  
C. O. Woodruff, proxy for S. W.
114. Ben Franklin.....L. L. Bryan, W. M.
115. Elgin .....John W. Bryant, W. M.
116. Lafayette .....T. F. Bacon, W. M.  
D. L. Tanner, proxy for S. W.  
J. N. Thatcher, J. W.
117. Granite .....Not represented.
118. Newport .....J. M. Trickey, W. M.  
John D. Carroll, proxy for S. W.  
Franklin Tibbetts, proxy for J. W.
119. Delta .....J. M. Humphrey, W. M.  
W. A. Hawkins, proxy for S. W.  
M. Mather, J. W.
121. Grand Meadow .....George A. Corell, S. W.
122. Kellogg .....W. H. Graner, W. M.  
H. W. Canfield, S. W.
123. Prairie .....Geo. E. Johnson, W. M.  
Earl W. Johnson, S. W.  
Ole O. Bye, J. W.
124. Janesville .....R. R. Brown, proxy for W. M.  
T. R. Tomlin, S. W.  
Ernest Wilkins, J. W.
125. Winslow Lewis.....D. W. Norris, S. W.
126. Moorhead .....J. Pierce Wolfe, W. M.
128. Josephus .....J. T. Starkey, W. M.

129. Swift .....Michael Romstad, W. M.  
Arnold Olson, proxy for S. W.  
W. R. Smith, proxy for J. W.
131. Alma .....Andrew B. Anderson, proxy for W. M.  
P. A. Johnson, S. W.  
A. B. Anderson, J. W.
132. Humboldt .....H. C. Ackermann, W. M.  
J. W. Truwe, S. W.  
E. O. Bachmann, J. W.
133. Golden Sheaf.....Fred B. Desch, W. M.  
O. C. Hanson, proxy for S. W.  
John A. Linne, J. W.
134. Cokato .....N. J. Hendrickson, W. M.  
Wm. H. Reed, proxy for S. W.
135. Nelson .....W. W. Thomson, W. M.
136. Walnut .....F. W. Damp, W. M.  
H. A. Perkins, S. W.
137. Appleton .....George M. Dow, W. M.  
J. R. Dow, proxy for S. W.  
Gunder Kivley, J. W.
138. Orion .....Louis E. Covell, W. M.  
James H. Strong, proxy for S. W.  
Henry W. Jones, J. W.
139. Verndale .....Conrad Ditmore, proxy for W. M.
140. Little Falls.....H. W. Harding, W. M.  
F. E. Levis, S. W.  
E. S. Stanton, proxy for J. W.
141. Crookston .....Tom Morris, W. M.  
Joseph Smith, S. W.
142. Currie .....Charles N. Smith, W. M.  
Charles E. Price, S. W.
143. Lakeview .....H. L. Zwiener, W. M.  
Henry Walters, proxy for S. W.
144. Bird Island.....H. H. Gokey, W. M.
145. Melrose .....Not represented.
146. Benton .....Chas. W. Stites, W. M.
147. Canby .....John P. Lester, proxy for W. M.
148. Quarry .....C. H. Smith, W. M.
149. Guardian .....James Bohn, W. M.  
J. M. Kisner, proxy for S. W.  
P. B. Jensen, J. W.
150. Warren .....Wm. J. Brown, W. M.
151. Chaska .....Wm. C. Odell, W. M.
152. Frontier .....Wm. M. James, W. M.
153. Kodahya .....L. C. Bigelow, W. M.

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154. Norman ..... A. C. Garber, S. W.  
Chas. Weiden, J. W.
155. Tracy ..... Morris Workman, W. M.  
James R. Crystal, S. W.
156. Wadena ..... George M. Stowe, W. M.
157. Perham ..... L. E. Davison, W. M.  
S. Friedman, S. W.  
J. L. Bertholt, proxy for J. W.
158. Hector ..... E. G. Haggist, S. W.
159. Long Prairie ..... F. R. Harrison, W. M.  
J. U. Hemony, S. W.
160. Plymouth ..... J. Walter Howell, W. M.  
Chas. E. Kreis, proxy for S. W.
161. Sincerity ..... Dana Hoyt, W. M.
162. Prescott ..... A. W. Wells, W. M.
163. Summit ..... J. T. Christison, W. M.  
Robert B. Ware, proxy for S. W.
164. Jasper ..... Curtis M. Johnson, J. W.
165. Minnehaha ..... Wm. G. Stranahan, W. M.
166. Garnet ..... Edward L. Fales, W. M.  
Lewis H. Schnabel, S. W.
167. Agate ..... W. D. Cross, W. M.  
M. E. Wheeler, J. W.
168. Braden ..... Charles H. Kemper, W. M.  
Lawrence L. Rotter, S. W.  
Wm. H. Bell, J. W.
169. Pierson ..... Robert Strahan, W. M.  
O. J. Aamodt, S. W.  
M. D. Hawver, J. W.
170. Fulda ..... A. A. Snider, W. M.
171. Shekinah ..... Michael N. Goss, W. M.
172. Marietta ..... H. M. Griffin, W. M.
173. Plumb Line ..... Walter Dixon, W. M.
174. Valley ..... W. A. Simonton, W. M.  
James Wyvell, J. W.
175. Roman Eagle ..... Clarence Swanman, proxy for W. M.
176. Ark ..... Frank B. Messer, W. M.  
Green L. Fort, S. W.  
Harry Moore, J. W.
177. Rough Ashlar ..... John N. Schram, W. M.  
Paul Buetow, S. W.  
S. A. Bowler, J. W.
178. Anchor ..... E. A. Boutwell, W. M.  
C. F. Conner, S. W.
179. King David ..... A. C. Jacobs, W. M.

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| 180. | Osakis .....       | G. R. Babbitt, W. M.<br>Knut Swore, proxy for S. W.<br>W. A. Yates, J. W.                |
| 181. | Dalles .....       | O. S. Parker, W. M.<br>W. S. Lane, J. W.   |
| 182. | Fair Haven .....   | H. K. Kelley, W. M.<br>S. J. Wooster, J. W.  |
| 184. | Shell .....        | Allen M. Pillson, J. W.  |
| 185. | Midway .....       | John W. North, W. M.<br>Edward L. Foreman, J. W.   |
| 186. | Ionic .....        | Harry A. Hall, W. M.<br>Hugh R. Burgo, S. W.<br>Sheldon L. Frazer, proxy for J. W.       |
| 187. | Arcana .....       | Elmer W. Gray, W. M.<br>C. B. Greenwood, proxy for S. W.<br>H. A. Sauer, proxy for J. W. |
| 188. | Fortitude .....    | Louis H. Bryan, W. M.<br>David C. Henton, S. W.<br>Archie Geddings, J. W.                |
| 189. | Traverse .....     | Joseph B. Bruns, W. M.<br>E. H. Boley, S. W.   |
| 190. | Triune .....       | F. E. Thayer, W. M.<br>F. W. Mattson, S. W.  |
| 191. | Mizpah .....       | Geo. L. Lytle, S. W.<br>E. C. Shibley, proxy for J. W.                                   |
| 192. | Crow River .....   | C. M. Iverslie, W. M.  |
| 193. | Amboy .....        | Not represented.   |
| 194. | Canton .....       | Jacob Larson, W. M.<br>Wm. Johnson, S. W.  |
| 195. | Renville .....     | J. R. Butters, S. W.<br>R. Blacklock, J. W.  |
| 196. | Geneva .....       | H. F. Houck, W. M.   |
| 197. | Vermillion .....   | C. C. Oppel, W. M.<br>James Tippet, S. W.<br>W. H. Congdon, Jr., J. W.                   |
| 198. | Euclid .....       | Merrill M. Clark, W. M.<br>Chas. C. Salter, S. W.<br>George E. Budd, J. W.               |
| 199. | Murray .....       | Robert B. Forrest, W. M.   |
| 200. | Zenith .....       | Ernest Altermatt, W. M.  |
| 201. | Kenyon .....       | M. H. Silvernale, W. M.  |
| 202. | Atelier .....      | Not represented.   |
| 203. | Stewartville ..... | C. E. Fawcett, W. M.   |
| 204. | St. Elmo .....     | Ed Burg, W. M.<br>Andrew Rae, S. W.  |
| 205. | Wayzata .....      | W. S. Frear, W. M.   |
| 206. | Fosston .....      | B. S. Bennett, proxy for W. M.   |



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207. Crescent ..... David E. Tull, W. M.  
E. A. Lewis, S. W.
208. Itasca ..... J. S. Berney, W. M.  
O. W. Mitchell, J. W.
209. Sibley ..... Frank Hagberg, W. M.  
J. A. E. Johnson, proxy for S. W.
210. Columbian ..... J. L. Gessell, W. M.  
Leroy Brown, proxy for S. W.
211. Friendship ..... Edward C. Baird, W. M.
212. Hallock ..... Norman G. Jensen, proxy for W. M.
213. Mystic ..... Geo. T. Williams, W. M.
214. Evansville ..... P. J. Wrangelborg, W. M.
215. Argyle ..... J. W. McKay, W. M.
216. Florence ..... J. P. Hauck, W. M.
217. Capital City ..... M. S. Van Dresser, W. M.  
John McLean, S. W.
218. Griswold ..... John J. Leverenz, W. M.
219. Mt. Hermon ..... Not represented.
220. Olivia ..... J. H. McLaughlin, W. M.  
Geo. W. Diepenbrock, S. W.  
John M. Salstrom, J. W.
221. Equity ..... C. R. Laingen, W. M.
222. Elysian ..... J. W. Root, S. W.  
L. C. Keene, J. W.
223. Mora ..... Wm. Staples, W. M.
224. Minnesota ..... Chas. D. Raymer, W. M.  
Chas. D. Gould, S. W.  
Joseph H. Johnson, proxy for J. W.
225. Justice ..... Richard Morton, W. M.
226. Lincoln ..... James H. Ward, W. M.  
Roscoe L. Cramb, S. W.
227. Park Region ..... E. H. Cornell, W. M.
228. Vernon Center ..... Henry C. Kraus, W. M.
229. Stewart ..... E. E. Swan, W. M.
230. Alpha ..... W. D. Banks, proxy for W. M.
231. Magnolia ..... E. J. Calkins, S. W.  
Frank Collins, J. W.
232. Chisago ..... E. M. Dahlby, proxy for W. M.
233. Bemidji ..... Wm. McCuaig, J. W.
234. Sandstone ..... Albert S. Webb, W. M.  
Howard Folsom, proxy for S. W.  
Wm. Aiken, proxy for J. W.
235. Edgerton ..... Arnold Pilling, W. M.
236. Northern ..... Not represented.
237. Albert Pike ..... S. S. Kilvington, W. M.  
A. H. Nash, J. W.





Grand Master Countryman appointed the following Standing Committees:

ON ADDRESS OF GRAND MASTER.

Irving Todd (7), Wm. P. Roberts (4), Chas. D. Raymer (224).

FINANCE.

Henry R. Denny (111), S. L. Frazer (186), E. L. Fales (166), H. A. Wells (71), F. L. Messer (176).

JURISPRUDENCE.

Past Grand Masters H. R. Wells, E. W. Durant, A. T. Stebbins, G. S. Ives, C. L. Brown.

ANCIENT LANDMARKS.

A. Brandenburg (99), S. E. Adams (19), Chas. Griswold (3), J. D. Markham (164), Chas. W. Nash (35).

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

Wm. C. Odell (151), Carlos Avery (59), A. O. Eberhart (12), Harry G. Gearhart (79), G. W. Stiles (112).

APPROPRIATIONS.

S. S. Kilvington (237), Wm. B. Patton (79), Wm. Dunbrack (109).

LODGES. U. S. D.

W. M. James (152), C. C. Reynolds (19), A. M. Hayes (35), Clarence R. Smith (19), Owen Morris (5).

PAY ROLL.

D. W. Knowlton (112), John H. Abbott (112), G. V. B. Hill (160).

EXAMINATION OF VISITORS.

I. B. B. Sprague (5), J. W. McKay (215).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

J. J. Levenze (218), K. L. Davidson (113), Jacob Rouse (244).

Grand Master Countryman then read the following

### ADDRESS.

*Brethren of the Grand Lodge:*

As we meet again around our common altar, our hearts should swell in grateful praise to Almighty God for the many blessings and comforts he has showered upon us during the past year, and for the prosperity and happiness which have attended us both as a Grand Lodge and as individuals. At this the close of our first half century of progress, standing upon the threshold of a new era, in the memory of a glorious past and with the hope of an equally brilliant future, I bid you welcome to our Fiftieth Annual Communication.

In accordance with law, I herewith present a report of my stewardship for the year just past.

I am happy to say that the condition of the Craft in this state is most prosperous. Our growth has been far in excess of any preceding year, our Lodge rooms are crowded with earnest seekers after light, our members have been filled with an earnest desire to promote the true principles of Freemasonry, and peace and harmony have prevailed throughout this Grand Jurisdiction.

### LODGES CONSTITUTED.

The Lodges chartered at the last annual communication of the Grand Lodge were constituted, their charters delivered and officers elected and installed as follows:

Feb. 26, 1902, Astra, No. 240, at Lester Prairie, by myself. Large delegations were present from Glencoe, Young America, Hutchinson, Watertown and Howard Lake, and though the capacity of the hall was somewhat strained the feeling of good fellowship was not, and a most delightful time was had.

March 1, 1902, Cass, No. 243, at Cass Lake, by W. Bro. Tom Morris, Grand Marshal, acting as my proxy. Brother Morris reports generous assistance from neighboring lodges, and that the ceremonies were conducted in a very excellent manner.

March 5, 1902, Eveleth, No. 239, at Eveleth, by R. W. Bro. W. A. McGonagle, S. G. W., acting as my proxy, assisted by Bro. S. L. Frazer, D. D. G. M., and other brethren from Duluth. Brother McGonagle reports a most happy time.

March 5, 1902, Frazee, No. 241, at Frazee, by W. Bro. John Liddell, acting as my proxy, assisted by brethren from Wadena, Perham and Detroit. It is needless to say that the ceremonies were most instructive and interesting.

March 19, 1902, Coteau, No. 244, at Russell, by myself.

March 20, 1902, Ruthton, No. 242, at Ruthton, by myself.

March 22, 1902, Equality, No. 238, at Minneota, by myself.

On these occasions brethren from Pipestone and Marshall rendered valued aid, especially Bro. W. A. Hawkins, who accompanied me on the entire trip and was of inestimable service.

My thanks are due, and are hereby tendered, to my proxies and to all the brethren who so kindly assisted in these ceremonies. After the meeting, in each instance, the traditional banquet was served, and the new lodges started on their way amid general rejoicing. They all report having done good work during the year.

#### NEW LODGES.

Dispensations for new lodges were granted as follows:

Feb. 12, 1902, Wabasso Lodge, U. D., at Wabasso, Redwood County; eleven petitioners, with Bros. Abraham J. Weldon as W. M., Wm. A. Hauk S. W. and Emil Howe J. W.

Feb. 26, 1902, Fides Lodge, U. D., at Sanborn, Redwood County; fourteen petitioners, with Bros. Enos P. Dotson as W. M., Wm. A. Gleason S. W. and Foster W. Stevens J. W.

March 7, 1902, Morality Lodge, U. D., at Hendricks, Lincoln County; fourteen petitioners, with Bros. Lewis M. Lerwick as W. M., E. A. Christensen S. W. and H. B. Danielson J. W.

March 19, 1902, Raymond Lodge, U. D., at Raymond, Kandiyohi County; eight petitioners, with Bros. Charles Malm as W. M., S. Edmondson S. W. and Frank H. Knox J. W.

March 25, 1902, Barto Lodge, U. D., at Echo, Yellow Medicine County; eleven petitioners, with Bros. Edwin M. Pool as W. M., Arthur G. Curtis S. W. and Albert E. Leay J. W.

March 31, 1902, Lakefield Lodge, U. D., at Lakefield, Jackson County; fourteen petitioners, with Bros. Clark P. Bissett as W. M., Fred L. Leonard S. W. and Wm. E. Hankey J. W.

April 21, 1902, McKinley Lodge, U. D., at Tyler, Lincoln County; eleven petitioners, with Bros. Charles H. Kelson as W. M., H. A. Hansen S. W. and W. A. Hartung J. W.

May 16, 1902, Morton Lodge, U. D., at Morton, Renville County; twenty petitioners, with Bros. Charles W. Heimann as W. M., Wm. H. Andrews S. W. and Albert C. Mathes J. W.

Sept. 27, 1902, Dexter Lodge, U. D., at Dexter, Mower County; twelve petitioners, with Bros. N. A. Sumner as W. M., Oliver J. Dickens S. W. and John T. Miller J. W.

Oct. 11, 1902, Lake Park Lodge, U. D., at Lake Park, Becker County; ten petitioners, with Bros. A. S. King as W. M., Owen Wangenstein S. W. and John E. Almfeldt J. W.

Jan. 22, 1903, Mesaba Lodge, U. D., at Hibbing, St. Louis County; thirty-eight petitioners, with Bros. Daniel F. Wadsworth as W. M., Wm. G. Williams S. W. and M. E. Pearce J. W.

All these applications were carefully investigated, personal visits being made in some cases. I was fully satisfied in each case that a good lodge could be maintained before granting dispensation.

The work and records of these new lodges will be laid before the proper committee, and, if approved, I recommend that charters be granted them. Correspondence has been had in regard to new lodges at Hawley, Ellendale and Parker's Prairie, which will be turned over to my successor.

#### GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

I had the honor and pleasure to commission as Grand Representatives from this to other Grand Lodges, the following brethren:

July 30, 1902—Bro. Chas. R. Barr for Nova Scotia.

Oct. 18, 1902—Bro. Alfred M. Oleson for Nebraska.

Jan. 26, 1903—Bro. Carlos D. Scott for Cuba.

These have been commissioned as Grand Representatives near this Grand Lodge:

March 7, 1902—Bro. Wm. P. Roberts from Florida.

March 10, 1902—Bro. M. E. Powell from Idaho.

April 23, 1902—Bro. Geo. R. Metcalf from New Hampshire.

Dec. 5, 1902—Bro. A. D. Countryman from South Australia.

Jan. 1, 1903—Bro. A. Brandenburg from Michigan.

Feb. 4, 1903—Bro. George R. Metcalf from Cuba.

Bro. D. M. Baldwin was recommended to represent the Grand Lodge of California near this Grand Lodge, but his commission has not yet been received.

#### BY-LAWS AND AMENDMENTS APPROVED AND DISAPPROVED.

I have approved the by-laws of the new lodges and a large number of amendments to by-laws.

I refused to approve an amendment to a by-law which provided that at the meeting for the annual election of officers of a lodge, any member might, for valuable services rendered, by vote of the lodge, be made a life member, and be thereafter exempt from payment of dues, and that the fact that such member received such majority vote creating him a life member should of itself be sufficient evidence that the valuable services had been rendered. I disapproved it as pernicious in principle and as creating a favored class.

I also refused to approve an amendment to a by-law which provided that assessments should be made and added to the dues at the end of each year, such assessments being made to replenish the treasury for funds expended for relief during the year.

#### INSTALLATIONS.

On Feb. 24, 1902, I had the pleasure of installing into office in the hall of Minnesota Lodge, No. 224, R. W. Henry R. Adams, Deputy Grand Master, he having been absent at our last annual communication.



On December 15th I installed the officers of Ark Lodge, No. 176, in Minneapolis, on December 16th those of Braden Lodge, No. 168, at St. Paul, on December 27th those of Appleton Lodge, No. 137, at Appleton, and on December 30th those of Lakeview Lodge, No. 143, at Ortonville. Other invitations had to be declined much to my regret.

#### SEMI-CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.

Bros. E. M. Van Cleve and Edwin J. Forster were appointed members of the Committee on Semi-Centennial Observance, to fill vacancies caused by the death of Bro. Solon Armstrong and Bro. J. H. Thompson, respectively. This committee have been indefatigable in their labors, and have prepared a most interesting and instructive program, to which you are all invited this evening. It is but just, however, to say that the credit for the success of our celebration is due very largely to the chairman of the committee, W. Bro. Geo. R. Metcalf, who has devoted all his energies for many months toward making this event a most notable one.

#### CORNER STONES LAID.

On July 1, 1902, at the request of the Public Library Association, I laid the corner stone of the Carnegie Library Building at Mankato, assisted by the following officers: Bros. H. M. Tusler as D. G. M., W. A. McGonagle, S. G. W., Enoch Stott, J. G. W., C. A. Chapman as G. Treasurer, Thomas Montgomery, G. Secretary, Bro. H. A. Chouinard, G. Chaplain, and local brethren. R. E. Roland H. Hartley, Grand Commander, kindly furnished an escort of Knights Templar. The procession was a large one, many brethren being present from neighboring lodges. An excellent oration was delivered by Bro. C. N. Andrews. The brethren of Mankato Lodge, No. 12, with their ladies, furnished generous hospitality, and made our stay an exceedingly pleasant one, and long to be remembered.

On October 23d, assisted by Bros. H. R. Adams, D. G. M., H. M. Tusler as S. G. W., C. S. Andrews as J. G. W., D. W. Knowlton, G. Treasurer, Thomas Montgomery, G. Secretary, and other brethren, I laid the corner stone of the new hall of Minnehaha Lodge, No. 165, in Minneapolis. Delegations were present from a number of neighboring lodges. Bro. W. P. Roberts delivered a short but interesting oration. After the ceremonies an elegant banquet was served, and a most enjoyable time was had. The hall, which is an elegant one, has since been completed and is now occupied by the lodge.

#### HALLS DEDICATED.

On July 24th, assisted by local brethren, I dedicated the new hall of Washington Lodge, No. 38, at West Concord. Though the weather was exceedingly inclement, a large number were present, and the hall



was dedicated with much enthusiasm according to our ancient usages. A fine banquet was served by the ladies of the Eastern Star. The new hall is finely appointed, and a great and needed improvement over the old quarters.

On October 24th, assisted by Bros. H. R. Adams, D. G. M., Geo. H. Daggett as S. G. W., Geo. R. Metcalf as J. G. W., L. A. Countryman as G. Treasurer, Thos. Montgomery, G. Secretary, H. M. Tusler, S. G. D., J. H. Anderson, J. G. S., and other brethren, I dedicated the magnificent new hall of Albert Pike Lodge, No. 237, at Hopkins. Through the kindness of the Minneapolis & St. Louis Railway, a special train was furnished from Minneapolis, more than two hundred visiting brethren being present. Before the ceremonies, a sumptuous banquet was served in an adjacent hall. The ceremonies were made most impressive, and the speeches and addresses following were eloquent and instructive. This hall is one of the most conveniently arranged and tastefully appointed lodge rooms in this Grand Jurisdiction, and the members of Albert Pike Lodge, one of our youngest, and especially its Master, Bro. S. S. Kilvington, who has been indefatigable in his efforts to promote the welfare of his lodge, are entitled to the highest praise for their good work in building so beautiful a home without incurring one dollar of indebtedness.

Jan. 14, 1903, assisted by Bros. H. M. Tusler as D. G. M., Thos. Montgomery as S. G. W., L. L. Wheelock as J. G. W., A. G. Pinkham as G. Marshal, and other brethren, I dedicated the new hall of Star in the East Lodge, No. 33, at Owatonna. The most lavish hospitality was tendered, and the occasion was a notable one. Among those present was Bro. S. R. Van Sant, Governor of the State. The banquet in the evening and the speeches following rounded out in the happiest manner a most delightful day. Star in the East Lodge is to be congratulated upon its elegant new quarters.

Feb. 13, 1903, W. Bro. Tom Morris, acting as my proxy, dedicated the new hall of Argyle Lodge, No. 215, at Argyle. Although a young lodge, the brethren at Argyle have shown the most commendable spirit in erecting this commodious and comfortable home. Bro. Morris reports that the exercises passed off in the most pleasant manner, and that he was the recipient of marked attention from the good brothers of Argyle.

#### DISPENSATIONS GRANTED AND REFUSED.

My correspondence has been very heavy. I have written nearly two thousand letters and have received quite as many.

Many of the letters have been inquiries upon some point of law or usage. In most cases I have been able to answer by referring to our Masonic Code, which ought to be studied more generally and carefully by Masters.

I have granted in several instances dispensation to confer the degrees on more than five candidates in one evening, good and sufficient reasons appearing therefor. I have given permission in two instances to a lodge to sublet its hall to non-Masonic bodies, under the usual restrictions.

I have permitted lodges in two instances to appear in public in Masonic clothing on St. John's Day, and granted nine dispensations to lodges to elect or install officers at a time other than that specified in the by-laws.

I have refused permission in several instances to lodges to appear in public on Sunday and Memorial Day.

Have refused several requests to receive petitions and ballot thereon the same evening.

Also to permit a lodge to appear as a lodge at the funeral of a brother, where the services were not in charge of the lodge.

Numerous requests were made for dispensation to receive the petitions of physically disqualified persons. They were all refused.

#### DECISIONS RENDERED.

I have been called upon to render many decisions, but generally a reference to the Code has been sufficient. Some matters have, however, come up upon which I have made rulings, as follows:

1. Question: Does a man *have* to take the Bible as his rule and guide of faith before he can be made a Mason in this State?

Answer: Belief in God being a prerequisite, the Bible must necessarily be taken as the rule and guide of faith, as Masonry is founded upon its teachings. Scoffers must not be admitted, as they lack the proper foundation upon which to build their future moral and Masonic edifice.

2. Question: Can a Lodge rightfully receive the petition for the degrees, of a man whose Masonic residence is in another city containing more than one lodge, without a waiver of jurisdiction of all such lodges.

Answer: No. All must join in the waiver.

3. Question: Can a petition for the degrees be received before the candidate is 21 years old?

Answer: No. He must be of full age before he signs the petition.

4. Question: Should petitions be destroyed after being acted upon?

Answer: No. They are a part of the records and should be kept.

5. Statement: A motion was made, put to vote and carried, after some discussion. The Acting S. W. then moved a reconsideration. The W. M. asked what was the object in reconsidering. The S. W. then struck his pedestal violently and told the W. M. it was none of his business, asked permission to retire and went out of the

room, remaining in the anteroom until after the lodge was closed, when he returned, and filed with the Secretary a written request for a dimit. Question: Shall we grant him a dimit or does his act constitute a Masonic offense?

Answer: The conduct of the brother was subversive of good order and discipline, and an insult to the Master and the lodge. The dimit should be denied and charges be preferred at once.

#### MASONIC CODE.

My attention has been called to the fact that the Masonic Code, prepared and published in 1900 by order of the Grand Lodge, although approved and recommended for use by the Grand Master and accepted by the lodges for nearly three years as their authority on Masonic Law and Usage, has not yet been formally adopted by the Grand Lodge.

It was referred to a committee in 1901, but owing to certain changes of language, etc., made by the committee in several sections of the Constitution and General Regulations, approved by the Grand Master and several other Grand Officers, intended to make them harmonize with previous Grand Lodge enactments and the well established customs and usages of this Grand Jurisdiction, said committee asked for further time, and were granted until 1902 in which to submit their report.

No report on same was made last year. It seems to me some action should be taken by Grand Lodge looking towards the adoption of the Code as a whole, making it officially as it is nominally the true exponent of our laws and usages. I therefore recommend that this whole subject be referred to a special committee of three, with instructions to submit a report thereon at our next annual communication, and, if they deem it necessary or proper, to submit at the same time a new and revised Constitution and General Regulations.

#### DISTRICT DEPUTIES.

Thirty-four District Deputies were appointed at the close of the last annual communication. Before the appointments were made, I was assured in each case that the brother selected would promptly and faithfully attend to the duties of his important office.

Twenty-four Deputies have made reports, some of them very full and interesting, and giving valuable information concerning the condition of the lodges. Several Deputies have been unable by reason of sickness to perform their duties, and have so informed me, but others have made no sign since they were appointed. I hope the reason is, everything is so harmonious in their districts that they concluded there was nothing to report, for of course each one of them performed his duty. The office of District Deputy is one of high honor, and should only be accepted by those who will attend to its duties. If District

Deputies properly perform their duties they can be of great assistance to the Grand Master. In this Grand Jurisdiction, with its magnificent distances, the Grand Master can visit only a small number of lodges, even though he devotes all his time to it, and the District Deputies are means by which he keeps in touch with the Craft.

Some of the reports are models, especially those from the Third and Nineteenth Districts. I wish these could be published and read by all. We now have thirty-four districts. With the rapid increase of lodges, the number of districts should be increased and some way provided for the traveling expenses of Deputies, as many lodges neglect to pay their slight share of the expense, and some Deputies are too modest to ask for it.

#### FIRES.

On September 9th the lodge room of Albert Pike Lodge, No. 237, at Hopkins, was destroyed by fire, with much of their furniture and belongings. The charter and records were saved. The loss was partially covered by insurance. I at once granted them permission to meet in the hall of Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, which was kindly tendered them, until their new hall was ready for occupancy.

On September 24th the beautiful lodge room of Delta Lodge, No. 119, at Marshall, was entirely destroyed with all its contents, including charter and records. The monetary loss to the lodge was about \$2,500, with no insurance. I at once gave them permission to meet until this annual communication of the Grand Lodge.

On December 8th the lodge room of Bird Island Lodge, No. 144, was totally destroyed with all their equipment, including charter. I granted permission to meet until this annual communication. I recommended that duplicate charters be granted to Delta Lodge and Bird Island Lodge without fee.

January 6, 1903, the lodge room of Sherburn Lodge, No. 95, at Elk River, was burned to the ground with all its contents. The charter and records were saved. The loss was \$1,000, with \$350 insurance. The lodge was tendered the use of Odd Fellows hall, which they occupied with my permission, and continued their meetings without interruption.

In this connection I urge upon lodges the importance of carrying reasonable lines of insurance. It is a good business policy.

#### RELIEF.

In December last I received a communication from the "Anvil Masonic Club," of Nome, Alaska, asking for a contribution to aid distressed brethren in that far off portion of our domain. The appeal was endorsed by the Grand Master of Washington, and I have no doubt the club is doing a noble work in dispensing relief to our unfortunate brethren in Alaska, and believe that any money sent will be properly and wisely expended.

Charity is a Masonic duty. Hence the cry which comes to us across the Atlantic from the starving lips of helpless mothers and innocent children should make us remember our duty and act quickly. I believe we can commemorate this our fiftieth birthday in no better way than by contributing liberally, both as individual Masons and as a Grand Lodge if need be, toward the relief of the terrible suffering in Sweden and Finland. Though they may not be of the "household of faith," they are bound to us by the ties of humanity. "Freely ye have received, freely give."

#### MASONIC HOME.

At the last annual communication a resolution was adopted directing the appointment of a special committee to consider the advisability of establishing a Masonic Home in this Grand Jurisdiction. Bros. J. D. Markham, Chas. L. West and Wm. P. Roberts were appointed as such committee and their report will be laid before you.

While our system of relief to those of our brethren who have been unable to successfully breast the waves of fortune, and who in old age have been stranded upon the shore, and to their wives and widows who have patiently and bravely borne trial and adversity, has been moderately successful, yet I am firmly convinced that the time is rapidly approaching when the Grand Lodge of Minnesota will follow the good example of some of our sister Grand Lodges and erect a Masonic Home, where our aged, indigent and infirm brethren may be lovingly cared for, where the widows of Masons can find a safe refuge, and where the orphan may be clothed, educated and trained to become a useful citizen.

Charity is the strongest in our whole declaration of principles, and there is no better way to show our belief in it than to put it to practical application. It is true such an enterprise will cost much of hard work, and sacrifice both of time and means, but nothing worth the attaining was ever secured without effort.

The Order of the Eastern Star is willing and anxious to help in this noble charity, and I think should receive the encouragement of this Grand Lodge, for woman has ever been foremost in good works, her influence upon the character of man has been most salutary, and her generous support, her sweet smile and influence in this fraternal work will give it added impetus toward a happy consummation.

But I am unalterably opposed to the building of a Masonic Home until sufficient money is in hand for its building and at least a moderate endowment for its support. We cannot afford to found it upon a debt. Whether the time has come to provide for a fixed annual appropriation to our widows' and orphans' fund I leave for the wisdom of this Grand Lodge to determine.



## DECEASED BRETHREN.

Many of our brethren have passed over the dark river since last we met, some who at our last annual communication were with us in health and strength and with good prospects of many years of usefulness. While we shall no more commune with them in the flesh, they still abide with us in tender, fragrant memories of lives well spent, of good deeds bravely done, of faithfulness to duty, of devotion in friendship. Though we mourn their loss, our grief is not as those without hope, for we believe they have but been promoted to a better, purer and happier sphere of existence.

Two of our permanent members have died during the year:

On October 8th last, Bro. John H. Randall, Past Senior Grand Warden of this Grand Lodge, died at his home in Minneapolis. Brother Randall was born in Maine, Dec. 16, 1853, and came to Minnesota in 1876, settling in Minneapolis, where he was admitted to the bar in 1878, and where he lived and practiced his profession with marked success for many years.

He was made a Master Mason in Hennepin Lodge, No. 4, in Minneapolis, Feb. 18, 1887; a Royal Arch Mason in St. Anthony Falls Chapter, No. 3, June 18, 1887; a Royal and Select Master in Adoniram Council, No. 5, July 21, 1887, and a Knight Templar in Darius Commandery, No. 7, July 14, 1887.

In 1890 and 1891 he was Master of his lodge, and in 1897 was Junior Grand Warden and in 1898 Senior Grand Warden of this Grand Lodge. He was Grand Master of the Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters, in 1896, and R. E. Grand Commander of Knights Templar of Minnesota in 1896.

He had received all the Scottish Rite degrees. In all the Masonic bodies he was a faithful and efficient worker, in the State a loyal and patriotic citizen and in the family a devoted husband and father. He will be missed from our councils.

Bro. James Nathan Castle, Past Deputy Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, died at his home at Stillwater, Minn., on the 2d day of January, 1903.

Brother Castle was born in Shefford County, Quebec, in 1836, and came to Minnesota in 1862, locating at Stillwater. He was an esteemed and prominent citizen of Stillwater, and one of the leading attorneys of Washington County for more than thirty years. He held many offices of trust. He was County Attorney in 1866, State Senator in 1868 and 1878, and was elected member of Congress from Minnesota in 1890.

He was made a Mason in St. John's Lodge, No. 1, Stillwater, June 5, 1865, and was W. M. of that lodge in 1868. In 1873 he was elected Deputy Grand Master of this Grand Lodge and re-elected in 1874. He was exalted to the Royal Arch in Minnesota Chapter, No. 1, and was a charter member of Washington Chapter, No. 17, serving as



its High Priest in 1870. He was Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Minnesota in 1873.

He was created a Knight Templar in Damascus Commandery, No. 1, in 1870, was a charter member of Bayard Commandery, No. 11, and was its Generalissimo at the time of his death. For many years he was active in Masonic work, and was devoted to its principles. He was buried with Masonic honors.

Bro. Benjamin Franklin Farmer died suddenly at his home in Spring Valley on Sunday, April 27, 1902. Though not a prominent member of this Grand Lodge, his faithful, earnest labors, his activity in the promotion of Masonic principles and his genial good nature endeared him to all who had the privilege of his acquaintance. Born in the State of Vermont, he came to Minnesota over forty years ago, and during all that time took an active part in the development of his adopted State. He was particularly interested in the cause of education, and was president of the Board of Education of Spring Valley for many years. He held many positions of trust and responsibility, and his sound judgment caused him to be frequently appealed to for advice and counsel.

He became a Master Mason on March 22, 1867, in Spring Valley Lodge, No. 58, and served his lodge as Master at various times for fourteen years. He had received all the degrees of York Rite Masonry, and up to and including the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite. He was R. E. Grand Commander of Knights Templar of Minnesota in 1897, and rendered that body long and faithful service.

He was a constant attendant on the Grand Lodge for many years, and was a valued member, his wise counsel and advice being always ready and always to be relied upon. He was one of the founders of the Masonic Veteran Association, and at its last meeting had the honor of being elected its President.

In his death Minnesota has lost one of its most honored citizens, a true friend to all who came to him seeking his friendship. Let us profit by the noble lessons of his life, that when our time shall come we may be better prepared to enter into that Celestial Lodge above.

On March 30th last, Bro. Edgar E. Cook, D. E. D. G. M. and W. M. of Olivia Lodge, No. 220, died after an illness of some weeks. Brother Cook was a zealous and devoted Mason, and the guide, counsellor and friend of all the brethren in his district. He was held in the highest esteem in the community in which he lived. As he lived respected, he died regretted.

The increasing number of deaths among the rank and file of our brethren reminds us of our mortality, and that the all-devouring scythe of time is constantly striking down our dearest and our best.

Notices have been received at the time stated of the deaths of the following distinguished Masons, Past Grand Masters of other Jurisdictions:

- March 27, 1902—B. Watts Ball, South Carolina.  
July 13, 1902—Andrew M. Callahan, Kansas.  
July 26, 1902—James M. Hilliard, Florida.  
Aug. 6, 1902—Milton Livsey, Rhode Island.  
Aug. 13, 1902—Reuben J. Laughlin, Arkansas.  
Aug. 15, 1902—Albert Lackey, Nevada.  
Oct. 12, 1902—John W. Mix, Connecticut.  
Oct. 14, 1902—Segundo A. Gonzales, Cuba.  
Oct. 21, 1902—Henry L. Fish, Nevada.  
Oct. 25, 1902—Josiah H. Drummond, Maine, the most distinguished Masonic jurist of his time.  
Nov. 13, 1902—Clinton F. Paige, New York.  
Jan. 9, 1903—Henry P. H. Bromwell, Illinois.  
Jan. 19, 1903—Andrew H. White, South Carolina.  
Jan. 30, 1903—Daniel M. Browning, Illinois.

Also the following:

- Feb. 24, 1902—Hugh Sterling, G. T. Treasurer, West Virginia.  
April 4, 1902—John D. Caldwell, P. G. Secretary, Ohio.  
April 6, 1902—Timothy W. Bliss, G. Tyler, West Virginia.  
July 30, 1902—Geo. L. McCahan, P. D. G. M., Maryland.  
Sept. 25, 1902—Abram H. Ellis, J. G. W., Kansas.  
Nov. 7, 1902—Edward G. Burke, P. G. Treasurer, South Dakota.  
Feb. 12, 1903—Wiley M. Egan, P. G. Treasurer, Illinois.

I recommend that suitable memorial notices be inserted in our proceedings.

#### VISITATIONS.

I have traveled 11,200 miles and have made eighty-five visits to lodges. Of these many were events of importance to the local lodge. The visit to Austin, when the six Aultfather brothers were raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason, and which was the largest gathering of Masons in Southern Minnesota, was an event unique in the annals of Masonry; the opening of the beautiful new lodge room at Red Wing; the district meeting at Hector, attended by all the neighboring lodges; the special meeting at Hopkins, where nearly every member of Albert Pike Lodge met at a moment's notice to greet the Grand Master; the semi-centennial celebrations of St. John's and Cataract Lodges; the meeting for the first time in many years with Mt. Moriah, my mother lodge; the glorious meeting at Duluth; the visit to Crookston on the occasion of the raising of the one hundredth candidate by the present Master, W. Bro. Tom Morris; the celebration of the thirtieth anniversary of the organization of Mt. Tabor Lodge at Detroit; these, and many others, were occasions of pure delight, and will ever be cherished as among the happiest days of my life.

But the visits to smaller lodges, though less formal, were fully as pleasant and will be long remembered.

In all my visitations I was received with the honors due my position, and given a hearty and sincere welcome.

I had the pleasure of the company of one or more of my brother officers on many of these visits, whose presence added greatly to the enjoyment of the several occasions. I hereby express my appreciation of their kindness in so freely giving their time to accompany me. Especially am I grateful to R. W. Bro. W. A. McGonagle, who took me, together with our S. G. D., Brother Tusler, in his private car through the iron range, much to our pleasure and instruction. These visits did me much good, and I hope were of profit to the craft. I regret I could not have made more of them.

#### BOARD OF CUSTODIANS.

At the close of our last annual communication I appointed Bro. Wm. R. Smith as a member of the Board of Custodians for three years, to fill the unexpired term of Bro. E. P. Barnum, deceased, and Bro. John H. Sprout for the term of five years. I also appointed Bro. Charles Griswold chairman of the board. Brother Griswold has held four schools of instruction, Brother Sprout one. For various reasons the other custodians have been unable to do any individual work, but all have been in attendance at the schools held just prior to this annual communication. I am convinced from witnessing the work in so many different lodges, that we are approaching a satisfactory degree of uniformity. To carry on the work of the Custodians during the coming year, only the usual appropriation will be necessary.

#### NON-AFFILIATES.

The increasing number of non-affiliates presents a question of much perplexity. How to stop the tide? The number of those stricken from the rolls for non-payment of dues is greater than ever before. What is the reason? And what is the remedy? I believe that many use the lodge as a door through which to enter so-called higher bodies, and having attained their object have no more use for the ladder upon which they ascended. I believe, too, that we rush candidates through the several degrees at too great speed, and at too much of a wholesale rate. I believe that we do not teach our members thoroughly enough that we should seek Masonry, not for what it can do for us, but for what we can do for Masonry. I believe that Secretaries are often too careless or indifferent in the collection of dues. At any rate, the army of non-affiliates is constantly growing, very few of whom ever come back, and in my opinion this matter ought to receive our most earnest consideration.

## GOOD OF THE ORDER.

Brethren, we enter upon our second half century on the high tide of prosperity. Our lodge rooms are crowded with candidates, and our fraternity is esteemed and respected everywhere. But are we living up to our high calling? Do we exemplify in our own lives the sublime principles we profess? Are we guiding our conduct by the holy principles of morality and virtue? It seems to me that we should endeavor to so make Masonry a part of our real selves that we may prosper not only in a material way, but in that fuller, deeper sense which constitutes true Masonry.

## CONCLUSION.

My relations with the officers of the Grand Lodge and with the craft have been of the most cordial nature, and I desire to thank you all for your uniform courtesy and generous assistance upon all occasions. Especially am I indebted to our efficient and obliging Grand Secretary, who has been of the greatest help, not only to me, but to the craft throughout the State. Few, except those who have come in close touch with him, know the value of a good Grand Secretary. He must be constantly at the call of his brethren, and is a mine of information which is freely drawn upon for the enrichment of the craft all over the State.

Brethren, the record of the year is before you. The work, though sometimes hard, has been made very pleasant by your loyalty and many expressions of brotherly love. Wherein the past year has been a success, the credit is due very largely to your kindness, to your forbearance, to your willing and generous help. Wherein mistakes have been made, believe me, they have been through ignorance or misunderstanding and not wilfully.

For the great honor you conferred upon me one year ago, I again return my heartfelt thanks, and have earnestly tried to show my appreciation by honest, faithful effort in your service.

And now, as we set forth upon the labors of the session, let us earnestly resolve to do the right as God gives us to see the right, ever working with an eye single to the true welfare of Masonry and our beloved Grand Lodge.

A. D. COUNTRYMAN,  
*Grand Master.*

The address was referred to the Committee on address for division and reference.

## REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER.

*Brethren of the Grand Lodge:*

I herewith submit my report as Grand Treasurer for the term commencing January 23, 1902, and ending February 24, 1903:

## GENERAL FUND.

## RECEIPTS.

1902.		
Jan. 23.	Cash on hand as per last report.....	\$10,498.05
1903.		
Jan. 3.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	\$5,000.00
Jan. 13.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	4,000.00
Feb. 24.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	2,370.20
Feb. 24.	Cash unexpended, Mrs. Anna M. Lee.....	58.35
Total receipts.....		\$21,926.60

## DISBURSEMENTS.

1902. No. Cash paid on the following orders:

Jan. 25.	1—G. S. Ives, Grand Master, for expenses....	\$300.00
	2—T. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, two assistants .....	25.00
	3—Irving Todd, report on correspondence....	100.00
	4—Chas. J. Kruger, Grand Tyler.....	25.00
	5—T. Montgomery, for Custodians and Tying	64.00
	6—T. Montgomery, for joint railroad agent..	11.00
	7—Grand Secretary, contingent expenses.....	225.00
	8—Grand Secretary, office rent.....	120.00
	9—Lodge No. 9, for Mrs. M. J. Pendleton....	50.00
	10—No. 21, for M. J. Burroughs, \$50; Mrs. Atherton, \$50 .....	100.00
	11—No. 26, for Mrs. Partridge, \$100; Miss Cook, \$50 .....	150.00
	12—No. 34, for Mrs. H. H. Manning.....	100.00
	13—No. 36, for J. S. Benedict .....	100.00
	14—No. 62, for J. R. Ames.....	50.00
	15—No. 63, for Mrs. J. F. Pope.....	100.00
	16—No. 66, for Mrs. W. W. Case.....	100.00
	17—No. 78, for Mrs. W. B. Mitchell.....	100.00
	18—No. 81, for M. E. Van Cott.....	100.00



	19—No. 87, for Mrs. H. B. Collins.....	50.00
	20—No. 89, for child of J. H. McKenney.....	50.00
	21—No. 91, for Mrs. David Watson.....	100.00
	22—No. 104, for P. A. Odell.....	100.00
	23—No. 126, for H. D. Scott.....	50.00
	24—No. 138, for L. B. Woolson.....	125.00
	25—No. 164, for Linsay McKee .....	100.00
	26—No. 178, for Wm. Dragoo .....	100.00
	27—No. 219, for A. J. Erickson.....	100.00
	28—Grand Treasurer, for Bros. Gove, \$300; Lombard, \$200; Burnside, \$100; Mrs. Lee, \$100; Mrs. Pierson, \$360.....	1,060.00
	29—D. W. Knowlton, premium on \$10,000 bond	45.00
	30—D. W. Knowlton, pay roll.....	2,467.60
Mar. 4.	31—T. Montgomery, for Custodians.....	60.72
	32—T. Montgomery, salary, January and Feb- ruary .....	208.33
April 7.	33—Chas. Griswold, Custodian.....	16.50
May 6.	34—T. Montgomery, 1,250 pictures Ives.....	43.75
May 9.	35—Pioneer Press Co., printing proceedings, etc.....	485.33
	36—L. N. Bryant, insurance premium.....	67.20
June 3.	37—T. Montgomery, three months' salary Grand Secretary .....	312.50
June 30.	38—T. Montgomery, June salary Grand Sec- retary .....	104.17
July 31.	39—T. Montgomery, July salary Grand Sec- retary .....	104.16
Aug. 11.	40—T. Montgomery, office rent Grand Sec- retary .....	120.00
Sept. 16.	41—J. H. Sprout, Custodian.....	15.60
Oct. 3.	42—T. Montgomery, salary August and Sep- tember .....	208.34
Nov. 19.	43—L. N. Bryant, extended insurance.....	14.70
Dec. 3.	44—T. Montgomery, for semi-centennial.....	250.00
1903.		
Jan. 6.	45—T. Montgomery, three months' salary.....	312.50
Jan. 13.	46—Chas. Griswold, Custodian.....	20.50
Jan. 31.	47—Chas. Griswold, Custodian.....	17.10
Feb. 6.	48—Chas. Griswold, Custodian.....	16.15
Feb. 24.	Total disbursements .....	\$8,545.15
	Balance on hand.....	13,381.45
	Total .....	\$21,926.60

## WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

## RECEIPTS.

1902.	
Jan. 24.	Cash on hand as per last report..... \$2,336.04
	Interest one year to Oct. 1, 1902, on Minneapolis \$15,000 bond, No. 94..... 600.00
	Interest one year to Oct. 2, 1902, on Minneapolis \$1,000 bond, No. 107..... 45.00
	Interest one year to Jan. 1, 1903, on Minneapolis \$2,000 bond, No. 108..... 80.00
	Interest one year to Jan. 1, 1903, on Minneapolis \$2,000 bond, No. 109..... 80.00
	Interest one year to Jan. 1, 1903, on Minneapolis \$2,000 bond, No. 142..... 70.00
	Interest one year to Jan. 1, 1903, on Minneapolis \$2,000 bond, No. 213..... 80.00
	Interest one year to Jan. 1, 1903, on St. Louis County \$1,000 bond, No. 59..... 40.00
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	Total receipts ..... \$3,331.04

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Feb. 17.	Minneapolis registered city bond, No. 213, dated Jan. 1, 1890, payable Jan. 1, 1920..... \$2,260.22
1903.	
Feb. 24.	Cash on hand..... 1,070.82
	Bonds on hand, par value..... 25,000.00
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	Total in fund..... \$26,070.82

## RECAPITULATION.

On hand, General Fund.....	\$13,381.45
On hand, Widows' and Orphans' Fund.....	26,070.82
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Total .....	\$39,452.27

Fraternally submitted,

DAVID W. KNOWLTON,  
Grand Treasurer.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

## REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY.

*To the Grand Lodge of Minnesota:*

The following is fraternally submitted as my fourteenth annual report. The proceedings of last year (1,250 copies) were printed and given the usual distribution as soon as practicable after the close of the session. They contained a very good likeness of Bro. G. S. Ives, Past Grand Master, and, in addition to the proceedings proper, the oration of Bro. W. P. Roberts, which has been favorably commented on; the usual statistical and other tables; the well prepared report on Correspondence, by Bro. Irving Todd, and the Proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota. This latter feature of our published pamphlet is well received by the Craft generally, and I believe the Minnesota Association is accorded first place by observing readers and critics.

Charters were prepared for the seven new Lodges, Nos. 238 to 244 inclusive, and delivered to the Grand Master or designated constituting officer. Full reports of the Constitution were filed in this office, also lists of officers installed. Only petitioners for the dispensation who had filed dimitts from their former Lodges and brethren raised in said Lodges while U. D. were recognized as charter members. Commissions were made out and sent with a circular of instruction and blanks on which to make out reports to the thirty-four District Deputies. Several Grand Representative commissions were issued and others received from other Grand Jurisdictions and delivered to the honored brethren in our own State, as stated by the Grand Master.

The Grand Lodge Register is posted to include the returns for 1902. It contains at this moment the names of 40,173 Master Masons who have been at one time or another members of the 246 Lodges (two numbers, 3 and 9, being duplicates) heretofore chartered in this Grand Jurisdiction. These names have all been indexed up to a year ago. By means of this index and register it is but a moment's work to ascertain the Masonic record of all registered brethren, living or dead. I might add that the register is in almost daily use in the office either by myself or visiting brethren.

I finished during the past year a new Record Book, started three years ago, which contains the names in consecutive order of all the elective officers of all the Lodges for the past fifty years, with date of installation, so far as could be ascertained. It seemed a necessity to have such a book. Previous to 1868 the annual returns contained no lists of officers. It was therefore very difficult to find out who had been elected. Indeed, many of the early returns are missing. For a time I despaired of being able to obtain the desired data, as too often the present Secretaries were unable to furnish it; but by dint of perseverance, the careful examination of our printed proceedings,

and the writing of hundreds of letters of inquiry, making scores of corrections as new facts were developed, we have a record as complete and as nearly perfect as it seems possible to make it. It will prove an invaluable book of reference. I have added the names of this year's officers. We can now tell at a glance the names of the nearly 3,000 Past Masters, for instance, when installed and how long they served, and the same as to the other elective officers. As a matter of interest it may be stated that one Master served his Lodge for twenty consecutive years, and four others from nine to fifteen years each. Ninety-eight Treasurers and fifty-one Secretaries served ten years and over, twenty-eight serving over twenty years and one thirty-one years. The book is here for examination should any of you desire to look it over.

Did time permit there are other books that might be prepared which would prove valuable for future use.

During the past year I have also had gathered together, assorted by states and rank, trimmed to an uniform size, classified and prepared ready for mounting, some 2,600 portraits of distinguished Masons in the United States, the accumulation mostly of the past ten years. They are arranged in envelopes with a view of being placed in albums at some future time.

Dispensations have been issued for the organization of eleven new Lodges during the year, viz.: At Wabasso, Sanborn, Hendricks, Raymond, Echo, Lakefield, Tyler, Morton, Dexter, Lake Park and Hibbing, as particularly set forth in the Grand Master's address. The customary caution has been exercised in getting them started right, the good standing of all petitioners being shown by the filing of dimits or receipts for dues to the end of the current year. They have all been actively at work, and report the conferring of 322 degrees. They have also made returns of work done, paid the required fees, and now ask that charters be granted them. Their minutes and returns are here for inspection.

A rate of a fare and a third on all railroads has been secured for all the brethren attending Grand Lodge. We tried to get a better rate for this year, but failed. I regret to say that a charge of 25 cents has been imposed on all certificate holders by the Western Passenger Association. This must be paid their joint agent as a fee to-morrow afternoon, on personal application for the certificate, after being signed and stamped.

I am receiving for the Grand Lodge Library about twenty Masonic periodicals, some of them of great interest and value, and the usual exchange of Annual Proceedings from all over the world. Among the books donated is one from the author, Past Grand Master Keister of Blue Earth, a large octavo of nearly 700 pages, entitled "History of Faribault County, Minnesota," and handsomely illustrated.

Last August, after months of delay and effort, I secured the delivery from the custom house of a magnificent work in three volumes, 14x18 inches in size, elegantly bound, having gilt edges, and put up in a specially made case, entitled "Picturesque Atlas of Australasia," the gift of our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of New South Wales, Hon. Arthur J. Scott of Sydney, Deputy Grand Master. It contains hundreds of splendid illustrations, and is printed in first-class style on the best paper. He prepaid carriage, which was heavy. The work is valued at \$52. The authorities wanted a duty on same of \$13, but I finally convinced them that we were entitled to it for our library duty free. I returned thanks on your behalf to the donors in both cases. We try to keep our library attractive, clean and orderly, and would be glad to have more of the brethren peruse its rich treasures. Some other books have been added by purchase.

The correspondence of the year has been greater than ever. There is a petition on file for restoration from expulsion, a request from No. 102 to do away with the one year's residence as preliminary to petitioning for the degrees, a petition from No. 131 at Lyle, received to-day, praying for reciprocal relations with Iowa as to jurisdiction between Lodges near the State line, and several petitions for relief.

#### RETURNS.

Returns have been received from all the Lodges, 239 in number, including the eleven U. V. D.'s. Some were late in arriving as usual. Notwithstanding all our efforts to prevent errors and mistakes, they are sure to appear every year, and much time and correspondence are required to correct them. Many Secretaries have the true idea, and their reports are models of excellence, being accurate in every particular. Many others have either no proper conception of their duties or are so utterly careless that they try the patience of your Grand Secretary. All are ready and willing, however, to promptly respond to his call, so that nearly all corrections have been made. They have been carefully tabulated and I herewith present a summary:

Initiated, 1,435; passed, 1,380; raised, 1,386; joined by dimit, 476; restored, 84; total gain, 1,946. Withdrawn, 517; stricken from roll, 190; suspended, 2; expelled, 4; died, 226; total loss, 939. Net gain, 1,007. Present membership, 18,542. Only 155 Lodges show a gain, 52 show a loss, while 21 stand as before. Thirteen Lodges did no work. Forty Lodges raised ten or more, including nine which raised twenty or more, and four which raised thirty or more, one raising sixty-six. The eleven new Lodges raised 101. The forty Lodges above referred to raised 686, or about one-half in the entire jurisdiction. From the above it will be seen that the past year has been the most prosperous by far in the history of this Grand Lodge.



## FINANCIAL.

The receipts of the year have been larger than for any former year, and were as follows:

Charter fees, Nos. 238 to 244 inclusive, \$175; dispensation fees, eleven new Lodges, \$220; arrears of dues, \$4.60; returned by Concord Lodge, No. 47, relief funds unexpended, \$110; fees and dues from all the Lodges as per cash book and abstract of returns, \$10,860.60. Total, \$11,370.20, all of which has been paid the Grand Treasurer.

Orders have been drawn for \$1,725 in favor of the Masters of twenty Lodges for relief purposes in twenty-one cases and for \$1,060 in favor of the Grand Treasurer for five other relief cases, as directed by the Grand Lodge. Reports with statements of expenditures and vouchers have been received from only fifteen Masters. A supply of blank forms was printed for the use of Lodges applying for relief, but few have been called for. Forty-eight orders have been drawn on the Grand Treasurer for all purposes, aggregating \$8,545.15.

All my books and papers are ready for inspection.

While the duties of my office have been laborious during the past year they have been made agreeable by the uniform kindness shown me by the Grand Master and other Grand Officers, as well as by all the brethren with whom I have had official or social contact.

Fraternally submitted,

THOS. MONTGOMERY,

*Grand Secretary.*

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

## REPORT ON ADDRESS OF GRAND MASTER.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge:*

Your committee, to whom was referred the address of the M. W. Grand Master for division and reference, respectfully recommend:

1. That so much as relates to decisions, dispensations granted and refused, by-laws and amendments approved and disapproved and Masonic code be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.
2. That so much as relates to non-affiliates be referred to the Committee on Ancient Landmarks.
3. That so much as relates to dispensations for new Lodges be referred to the Committee on Lodges U. D.
4. That so much as relates to Custodians be referred to the Committee on Appropriations.
5. That so much as relates to District Deputies be referred to a special committee of three.
6. That so much as relates to deceased brethren be referred to a special committee of three.

7. That so much as relates to Masonic Home be referred to the existing special committee.

8. That the residue be referred to a special committee of three.

Fraternally submitted,

IRVING TODD,  
WM. P. ROBERTS,  
C. D. RAYMER,

*Committee.*

Adopted.

The Special Committees provided for in the above report were appointed as follows:

5. Bros. Chas. G. Hinds (44), H. C. Shepard (18), J. G. Houghton (2).

6. Bros. Geo. H. Davis (100), A. G. Pinkham (33), Edgar Nash (112).

8. Bros. W. S. Frear (205), E. E. Swan (229), A. E. Johnson (7).

Bro. Wellington C. Masterman, Grand Orator, delivered the oration, which was well received.

On motion of Bro. Wm. P. Roberts (4) a vote of thanks was given Bro. Masterman, and he was requested to hand his oration to the Grand Secretary for publication in our proceedings. (See appendix for same.)

The following resolution offered by Bro. G. H. Davis was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, with instructions to report thereon at 10 a. m. to-morrow.

*Resolved*, That the Constitution and General Regulations, as published in 1889, with such amendments as have been legally made, shall be the only Constitution and General Regulations recognized and authorized by this Grand Lodge until they shall have been legally revised.

On motion the election of officers was made the special order of business for 2 p. m. to-morrow.

The following resolution offered by Bro. S. L. Frazer (186) was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence:

*Resolved*, That Section 22, Article IV. of the Constitution, be amended by inserting after the word Lodge (see last line of page 182 of the Masonic Code) and every candidate shall pass an examination in open Lodge as to his proficiency in the third degree.

A communication from Lebanon Lodge, No. 102, asking for the repeal of the rule requiring one year's residence before being eligible to petition for the degrees, was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

A communication from Alma Lodge, No. 131, at Lyle, praying for some reciprocal relation or understanding with the Grand Lodge of Iowa with reference to jurisdiction over candidates for the degrees living on each side of the state line, was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

The Grand Lodge at 5:30 p. m. was called from labor to refreshment until 9:30 a. m. to-morrow.

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## SECOND DAY.

ST. PAUL, Wednesday, Feb. 25, 1903.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 9:30 a. m. Officers as on yesterday.

The following resolution offered by Bro. Chas. L. West was referred to the Committee on Appropriations:

*Resolved*, That the sum of \$25 be appropriated for Bro. J. J. Buckhout, Custodian of Masonic Temple, for work performed by him in connection with the Semi-Centennial Celebration, and that the further sum of \$25 be appropriated for the St. Paul Masonic Union for additional expenses incurred at this Annual Communication.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LODGE RETURNS.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Returns of Lodges respectfully report that we have examined the returns of all the Lodges as tabulated and placed before us by the Grand Secretary and find them correct with the following exceptions:

Overpayments were made by the following Lodges No. 11, \$1.20; No. 24, 40 cents; No. 33, \$2; No. 43, \$1; No. 47, \$1.60; No. 50, 40 cents; No. 54, \$1.20; No. 58, 40 cents; No. 61, \$2; No. 64, \$1; No. 76, 40 cents; No. 80, 40 cents; No. 83, 80 cents; No. 87, 60 cents; No. 89, \$5.20; No. 92, 40 cents; No. 94, \$4; No. 101, 40 cents; No. 102, 40 cents; No. 104, \$2; No. 108, \$1.20; No. 110, \$1.20; No. 124, 80 cents; No. 129, 40 cents; No. 133, \$3.60; No. 135, \$2; No. 139, \$1.60; No.

140, \$1; No. 142, \$1.60; No. 152, 80 cents; No. 157, 80 cents; No. 170, \$4; No. 181, \$5.20; No. 192, \$1.20; No. 193, \$1.60; No. 199, \$2; No. 201, 40 cents; No. 202, 40 cents; No. 204, \$1.60; No. 206, 80 cents; No. 209, 80 cents; No. 210, \$1.20; No. 218, \$2.80; No. 227, \$1.80; No. 229, 40 cents; No. 232, \$2.80; No. 234, 80 cents; No. 235, \$1.20; No. 238, \$2; No. 242, \$2.80; No. 243, \$2.40. Yet due from Lodges: No. 101, 40 cents; No. 115, 40 cents; No. 126, 80 cents; No. 145, 40 cents; No. 159, \$2; No. 187, 40 cents. Not signed by Master: Nos. 73, 193, 206. Not signed by Secretary: Nos. 26, 31, 193. No seal attached: Nos. 28, 31, 124, 145, 159, 179, 187, 188, 193.

We extend our thanks to the Grand Secretary for the courteous and valuable assistance rendered your committee in the performance of their duty.

O. C. HANSON,  
J. T. JOHNSON,

*Committee.*

Adopted.

Bro. S. L. Frazer (186) submitted a sample jewel to be adopted for the use of District Deputies. Referred for consideration to the Special Committee on District Deputies.

#### REPORT OF CUSTODIANS.

Brother Sprout read the following report, which was ordered printed:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge:*

The Board of Custodians respectfully report that they have just held their annual meeting in St. Paul for the purpose of giving instruction in the work and lectures of the degrees, as required by Section 148 of the Masonic Code. Besides all the members of the Board, there were present at said meeting 130 Master Masons to receive such instruction, representing 94 different Lodges.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. SPROUT,  
*Secretary of the Board.*

Bro. Irving Todd submitted his report on Correspondence, which, on motion, was ordered to be published as an appendix to our proceedings.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MASONIC HOME.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Masonic Home appointed pursuant to the action of the last Annual Communication, having had under consid-

eration the subject of the establishment of a Masonic Home in this jurisdiction then referred to it, as well as the remarks of the M. W. Grand Master upon the same question in his address at this session, respectfully report:

That brethren belonging to four Lodges availed themselves of the opportunity to appear before the committee and made known their deep feeling that Masonry ought to bestir itself to secure in this jurisdiction a Masonic Home. These brethren are among the best and most faithful Masons in Minnesota. Their views deserve careful and fraternal consideration.

The committee failed to hear from any of the subordinate Lodges through official sources, and, in view of the indisputable fact that the maintenance of such Home, if it should be established, will fall directly upon the Lodges and brethren in the shape of increased per capita tax and burdens, it is quite evident that no notice whatever can have been taken of the matter by the Lodges during the past year. Our Lodges are required to have read at their meetings during the year the proceedings of the Annual Communication. Those proceedings contained the report upon "Masonic Home" adopted a year ago in plain and unambiguous language. Notwithstanding this no action has been taken by any Lodge to the knowledge of your committee, and out of the representatives present at this Communication but one has appeared before us.

It would be folly to enter upon so great and important a subject as even the discussion of the necessity and practicability of establishing a Masonic Home without knowing officially what the general judgment of the brethren throughout the jurisdiction is. Your committee know that there is a much larger sentiment for a "Home" than the appearance of the few brethren before us seem to indicate. But it is not a well digested sentiment, and not yet buttressed with a practical showing of specific needs in or plans for maintenance.

Your committee therefore recommends that the whole matter be postponed until our next Annual Communication, and that a committee of three be appointed to investigate and consider the question in all its bearings during the interval by correspondence with other jurisdictions and otherwise and to prepare a circular letter to the Lodges calling attention to the matter and asking for definite answers to the questions of the needs of each locality for the benefits of such Home, whether for aged Masons, their wives or orphans, whether the Lodge would feel able to pay an increased annual per capita tax of not less than 25 cents for the maintenance of such Home, and for other information desired. That such circular be sent to the Lodges over the signature of the M. W. Grand Master, who shall officially require each Lodge to hold a Communication, with notice to each member, on or before December 27, 1903, for consideration of the matter, and that answers to all questions be officially forwarded to the Grand Secretary not later than January 1, 1904. That



said committee shall be required to meet in St. Paul one day before the next Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge to consider the answers made to said circular letter and the information that they have obtained otherwise and to prepare a report upon the whole matter for presentation to said Communication at the opening thereof, and that the expenses of such committee for correspondence and such attendance at such meeting in St. Paul and at the next Annual Communication be paid by the Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

J. D. MARKHAM,  
CHAS. L. WEST,  
WILLIAM P. ROBERTS,

*Committee.*

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT DEPUTIES.

Bro. Chas. G. Hinds read the following report, which was adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge:*

Your Special Committee on District Deputies beg leave to report that they have duly considered the subject referred to them.

Your committee are of the opinion that the system is of considerable benefit, but that it can be made much more effective. We agree with the M. W. Grand Master that some way other than the present method ought to be provided to pay the expenses of the Deputies, for investigation reveals that in many cases Lodges entirely neglect and even refuse to pay such expense, and in other cases only pay if the Deputy asks for the same. This clothing a brother with special authority from the Grand Master and turning him loose to seek his own sustenance while forwarding the beneficent purposes of this grand institution is, in the opinion of your committee, beneath the dignity of this Grand Lodge.

But your committee are of the opinion that before steps be taken to perfect the system the matter receive more careful consideration than the time or experience of your committee will permit. Those in direct touch with the work of the Deputies are better able to recommend improvements in the present system. It may be concluded that if the Grand Lodge assumes the expenses of the Deputies that both better informed and fewer Deputies will be suggested, and even the time may come when the work will demand one Deputy devoting all his time to the work. An official badge may be deemed desirable as marking special honor to the Deputy, and a resolution to adopt one has been referred to your committee, but this can well wait one year.

Therefore your committee respectfully recommend that the whole subject be referred to the incoming Grand Master for investigation and special report to the next Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge.

CHAS. G. HINDS,  
HENRY C. SHEPARD,  
JAMES G. HOUGHTON,  
*Committee.*

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

1.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's address relating to decisions, having considered the same fraternally report that they find said decisions in accordance with Masonic law and usage and recommend that they be confirmed.

Adopted.

2.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's address, also the resolution offered, relating to the Masonic Code, having considered the same, fraternally report that it appearing by the terms thereof that a revision of certain provisions of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge is proposed in part, your committee recommend that the same be referred to a special committee of three permanent members to report at the next session of this Grand Lodge, as recommended by the Grand Master, and that the provisions of said Code as to amendments to the Constitution take effect only when passed and approved in accordance with the provisions regulating the same.

H. R. WELLS,  
E. W. DURANT,  
A. T. STEBBINS,  
G. S. IVES,  
C. L. BROWN,

*Committee.*

Adopted.

Bro. H. R. Wells for the committee reported verbally on the resolution of Brother Frazer, that the matter should be left to the discretion of each Lodge. He also on their behalf reported adversely on the petitions from Lebanon Lodge, No. 102, and Alma, No. 131, and all said verbal reports were concurred in by Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master appointed as the Special Committee provided for in report No. 2, Bros. G. S. Ives, A. T. Stebbins and J. D. Markham.

The Committee on Residue of Address failed to find anything to report upon.

Bro. G. H. Davis offered a resolution forbidding the further sale or dissemination of the Masonic Code, claiming that the Constitution and General Regulations published therein were inaccurate. The resolution was strongly opposed by Bros. W. P. Roberts, Chas. Griswold, G. S. Ives and H. R. Wells, who commended the work as a whole. A substitute offered by Bro. H. R. Wells was accepted by Brother Davis and adopted, viz.: that the Grand Secretary notify the Lodges that, until the Constitution and Regulations published in the Code as edited by the committee on same are formally adopted by Grand Lodge, the same as published in 1889 should govern.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ANCIENT LANDMARKS.

*To the M.'. W.'. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Ancient Landmarks, to whom was referred that part of the Grand Master's address relating to the increasing number of non-affiliates and members stricken from the rolls for non-payment of dues, beg leave to report that the same has had our serious consideration and we find no justifiable reason for any new law. We are of the opinion, however, that the remedy lies largely with the Secretaries of Lodges and would advise a prompter collection of dues, especially when the dues are low—5 cents is more easily collected than \$5. There doubtless has been too much laxity on the part of Secretaries and Masters in permitting dues to accumulate until they are burdensome to pay.

A. BRANDENBURG,  
SAMUEL E. ADAMS,  
C. W. NASH,  
J. D. MARKHAM,  
CHAS. GRISWOLD,

*Committee.*

Concurred in.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LODGES U. D.

The following report was read and adopted:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Lodges U. D. respectfully report that they have examined the minutes and returns of

Wabasso Lodge, U. D., at Wabasso, Redwood County.

Fides Lodge, U. D., at Sanborn, Redwood County.

Morality Lodge, U. D., at Hendricks, Lincoln County.

Raymond Lodge, U. D., at Raymond, Kandiyohi County.

Barto Lodge, U. D., at Echo, Yellow Medicine County.

Lakefield Lodge, U. D., at Lakefield, Jackson County.

McKinley Lodge, U. D., at Tyler, Lincoln County.

Morton Lodge, U. D., at Morton, Renville County.

Dexter Lodge, U. D., at Dexter, Mower County.

Lake Park Lodge, U. D., at Lake Park, Becker County.

Mesaba Lodge, U. D., at Hibbing, St. Louis County.

We find that all of said Lodges have shown remarkable energy and zeal and we recommend that charters be granted to each of them.

W. M. JAMES,

C. C. REYNOLDS,

A. M. HAYES,

OWEN MORRIS,

*Committee.*

The Grand Lodge at 12 m. was called from labor to refreshment until 1:30 p. m.

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### AFTERNOON SESSION.

ST. PAUL, Wednesday, Feb. 25, 1903.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 1:40 p. m.

M. W. Bro. A. T. Stebbins, Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, called attention to the recent death of M. W. Henry P. H. Bromwell, Past Grand Master, reading extracts from the obituary notice of his death.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The hour for the election of officers having arrived, the Grand Master appointed as tellers Bros. J. H. Johnson (224), Harvey Hawley (101), M. Romstad (129), G. A. Dahlmann (238), Owen Morris (5).

Past Grand Master Ives presided at the election of Grand Master, and Grand Master Countryman afterward.

Ballots were distributed and collected, the Grand Secretary calling the roll of all entitled to vote. The following officers were declared duly elected:

Henry R. Adams, Minneapolis.....	M.'. W.'. Grand Master
William A. McGonagle, Duluth.....	R.'. W.'. Deputy Grand Master
Henry M. Tusler, St. Paul.....	R.'. W.'. Senior Grand Warden
Thomas Morris, Crookston.....	R.'. W.'. Junior Grand Warden
David W. Knowlton, Minneapolis.....	R.'. W.'. Grand Treasurer
Thomas Montgomery, St. Paul.....	R.'. W.'. Grand Secretary

On the announcement of the election of Brother Adams as Grand Master a committee, consisting of Past Grand Masters Griswold, Denny, Nash, Brown and Stebbins, was appointed to escort the Grand Master-elect within the hall. This was done, and Brother Adams, at the altar, was duly presented, welcomed and received with the Grand Honors. He was then escorted to the Grand East and addressed the Grand Lodge as follows:

*Brethren of the Grand Lodge:*

Words are too feeble, they are not tender enough, to express my appreciation and love. I thank you for this great honor which you have conferred upon me to-day. I shall treasure it as long as memory lasts, as long as reason sits enthroned within the brain.

Having been actually born in a Masonic Lodge room; having spent a good portion of my time and best thought upon Masonry, I hoped that this circumstance, work and service might meet with your approbation, and that at this session of our Jubilee I might be exalted to the Grand East. For the realization of this hope I thank you.

Sir Walter Scott in one of his works portrayed a character by the name of "Old Mortality." It was the custom of that old Scotch Covenanter to go up and down the hills of Scotland—into her cemeteries—and wherever he found a grave of his brethren—the Covenanters—he, with his chisel and mallet, would re-etch the fading epitaph so that the passers-by might recall their names, work and



worth. So last night Bro. Metcalf, our "Old Mortality," re-etched upon the tablet of our memory the names, work and worth of the founders of this Grand Lodge and the men who have sat within its honored East.

Now, as you have placed my name upon the roster of Grand Masters, I thank you, I thank you.

Brethren, I rejoice that my beloved father, Samuel E. Adams, is here to share this pleasure and honor with me. In the early days of this Grand Lodge, he occupied the South and West, and in all probability would have graced the honored East, had he not left the line to follow the music of the fife and drum upon Southern battlefields to help keep "Old Glory" in the sky. I love him above all other men on earth, and so you will pardon me if at this time I ask him to come forward and be the first to take me by the hand. \* \* \* For this honor, I thank you again and again.

Masonry in its highest sense is Brotherhood; Brotherhood in its highest sense is Love; Love in its highest sense is the Spirit of God, for God is Love. Hence Masonry is the search after light, after right, after truth, after God. This is the meaning of the long lost Master Mason's word. In our Great Masonic Light—that book which adorns the altar of every Masonic Lodge and without which no Lodge can exist—we read that "In the beginning was the *Word*, and the *Word* was with God, and the *Word* was God." And again, "The *Word* became flesh and dwelt among us." All through the ages humanity has tried to find this *Word*—"the *Word* which God would." They wrote Egypt, India, Babylon, Greece and Rome. These have come and gone, they are not the words which God would. Ask Greece what her greatest word was and she says "Liberty." Ask stalwart Rome, and she says "Law." Ask gentle India, and she says "Omnipotence of God," but these are not the words which God would. America comes nearer to it than any country that ever had its markings upon the map of the world. You ask America what the greatest word is, and she says "Democracy or Brotherhood," "government of the people, for the people and by the people," a fraternity, a brotherhood, proclaiming the divine rights of man as taught by the Master 1900 years ago by Galilee. Love is now, as it was then, the fulfilling of the law. Let us dwell in this Spirit of love—this music of the Infinite—this melody of the Divine.

Brethren, I thank you a thousand times.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Finance would most respectfully report that we have examined the reports, books and vouchers of the Grand

Treasurer and Grand Secretary and find that they agree and that they have been carefully kept. We would recommend that the system of furnishing vouchers for all expenditures be continued in the future.

H. R. DENNY,  
S. L. FRAZER,  
F. B. MESSER,  
E. L. FALES,  
H. A. WELLS,

*Committee.*

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances respectfully report that they have had under consideration the petition of John A. Barker, late a member of Khurum Lodge, No. 112, for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry, and, being satisfied by the evidence submitted in support of said petition that said John A. Barker has since being expelled in 1898 led an upright and moral life and is now a respected member of society, and will, if restored, be an honorable and useful member of the Fraternity in the future, and that the offense for which he was expelled is a proper one to be condoned by the Grand Lodge, we recommend that said John A. Barker be restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

The applicant was expelled by Garnet Lodge, No. 166, on the 14th day of April, 1898, after trial and conviction upon the charge of having made false and fraudulent representations in his petition for the degrees of Masonry presented to Khurum Lodge, No. 112, such false and fraudulent representations consisting in stating in his said petition that he was a resident of the city of Minneapolis and within the jurisdiction of Khurum Lodge, whereas, in truth and fact, he was at the time a resident of White Bear Beach and within the jurisdiction of Garnet Lodge, No. 166, and in neglecting to state in his said petition that he had previously applied for the degrees of Masonry to Garnet Lodge and elsewhere in this Grand Jurisdiction.

W. C. ODELL,  
A. O. EBERHART,  
CARLOS AVERY,  
H. G. GEARHART,  
GEO. W. STILES,

*Committee.*

Adopted.

The following resolutions offered by Bro. J. D. Markham (164) were read and unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Grand Lodge is hereby tendered to the Committee on the Semi-Centennial Celebration of the Organization of this Grand Lodge for the very excellent entertainment provided at the Fiftieth Anniversary last evening.

*Resolved*, That Bros. Geo. R. Metcalf and Geo. H. Davis are hereby extended the thanks of the Grand Lodge for their very full, interesting and entertaining addresses.

*Resolved*, That these brethren be requested to furnish complete copies of the same to the Grand Secretary, and that said addresses and all the proceedings of said anniversary be published as a part of and in connection with the proceedings of this Annual Communication.

The Grand Secretary stated that owing to the probable demand for extra copies of this year's proceedings he had arranged for an increase of the number to be printed from 1,250 to 1,500 copies and wished to know if that was enough. On motion of Past Grand Master C. L. Brown the Grand Secretary was authorized to print 2,000 copies.

On motion of the Grand Secretary, it was voted to issue duplicate charters, without fee, to Delta Lodge, No. 119, and Bird Island Lodge, No. 144, to replace those destroyed by fire the past year.

A resolution offered by Bro. I. B. B. Sprague (5) that \$100 be appropriated for the relief of the starving people in Sweden and Finland, and another offered by Bro. J. D. Carroll (118) that \$100 be appropriated for the Anvil Masonic Club, of Nome, Alaska, were referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DECEASED BRETHREN.

*To the M.'. W.'. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Deceased Brethren beg leave to report as follows:

During the past year the Scythe of Time has reaped a greater harvest than for many years in our history. If we are to live hereafter, as our faith tells us that we are, we rejoice that our brethren so lived that they are assured of that future happiness that is not limited by the bounds of time and is as enduring as eternity. Death should not

be an affliction to the living, for it brings happiness to the departed one; nevertheless from it we should learn the lesson of living—to so conduct ourselves that no act will cast a shadow upon another's life. Among our own departed some names stand out most prominently.

Bro. John H. Randall, Past Senior Grand Warden, was a man whose purpose was to walk uprightly before God and man.

Bro. James Nathan Castle, Past Deputy Grand Master, who entered into life eternal January 2, 1903, was a man of prominence and stability.

Bro. Benjamin Franklin Farmer was a man whose counsel and advice were highly valued. Faithful in things both small and great, he has passed on to his sure reward.

Several Grand Lodges have met with the loss of distinguished brethren during the last year, as stated by the Grand Master.

Of these, Bro. Josiah H. Drummond of Maine deserves special mention. He was indeed "the most distinguished Masonic jurist of his time." His personality and influence were indelibly engraven upon the social, political and educational life of the people of Maine. He endeared himself to every Mason by his faithful, earnest labors, his activity in promoting the principles of Masonry, and his ready and timely advice and counsel. The noble lessons of his life may well be studied by every member of our Craft.

The loss of our brethren is keenly felt and our sympathies go out to the bereaved ones.

Fraternally submitted,

GEO. H. DAVIS,

A. G. PINKHAM,

EDGAR NASH, *Committee.*

Concurred in.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EXAMINATION OF VISITORS.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Examination of Visiting Brethren respectfully report that being aware that the right of visitation is an "Ancient Landmark," and that it is our duty to meet such brethren with a fraternal and courteous greeting that shall carry with it a conviction that they are truly welcome, therefore we have held ourselves in constant readiness to meet such brethren and to extend to them a fraternal and hearty greeting.

We trust that every visiting brother has been pleased with his visit and deeply impressed with the sincerity and high ideals of Minnesota Masonry.

ISRAEL B. B. SPRAGUE,

JOHN W. McKAY,

*Committee.*

Concurred in.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Appropriations recommend that the following sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be appropriated from the general funds of the Grand Lodge for the following purposes:

For Grand Master A. D. Countryman for past year.....	\$300.00
For Grand Secretary, salary for 1903.....	1,250.00
For Grand Secretary, two assistants .....	25.00
For Grand Secretary, contingent expenses.....	225.00
For Grand Secretary, office rent.....	240.00
For Grand Tyler, C. J. Kruger.....	25.00
For printing Proceedings and other printing.....	750.00
For pay roll for 1903.....	2,528.35
For Board of Custodians.....	400.00
For Insurance .....	70.00
For Committee on Correspondence.....	100.00
For Grand Treasurer's bond.....	30.00
For relief of the starving people in Sweden and Finland, to be sent through the Grand Master of the Swedish Masons .....	100.00
For the Anvil Masonic Club, Nome, Alaska, for relief....	100.00

We further recommend the following appropriations for the relief of persons named, the amounts to be paid to the Masters of the several Lodges unless otherwise indicated:

Red Wing, No. 8, for Bro. R. B. Kellogg.....	\$75.00
Rochester, No. 21, for Bro. M. J. Burroughs.....	50.00
Rochester, No. 21, for Mrs. C. Atherton.....	50.00
Clear Water, No. 28, for Mrs. Norman Nugent.....	50.00
Oriental, No. 34, for Mrs. H. H. Manning.....	100.00
Preston, No. 36, for Bro. J. S. Benedict.....	100.00
Fidelity, No. 39, for Miss Hattie Cook.....	50.00
Star, No. 62, for Bro. J. R. Ames.....	100.00
Mystic Circle, No. 78, for Mrs. W. B. Mitchell.....	50.00
Constellation, No. 81, for Bro. J. M. Hurlbut.....	50.00
Antiquity, No. 71, for Mrs. David Watson.....	100.00
Sherburne, No. 95, for Mrs. P. O. Hawes.....	75.00
Sharon, No. 104, for Mrs. P. A. Odell.....	100.00
Oricon, No. 138, for Bro. L. B. Woolson.....	100.00
Jasper, No. 164, for Bro. Linsey McKee.....	100.00
Anchor, No. 178, for Bro. Wm. Dragro.....	100.00
Mt. Hermon, No. 219, for Bro. A. J. Erickson.....	100.00
Lincoln, No. 226, for daughter R. T. Hisson.....	25.00
Park Region, No. 227, for Bro. Per Oyen.....	50.00



In the matter of the application of Orion Lodge, No. 38, we recommend that \$100 be paid after the Lodge has filed a report with the Grand Secretary of the expenditure of the \$125 appropriated last year.

In the matter of the application of Clear Water Lodge, No. 28, we are of the opinion that the Lodge has not done its full duty in the case, but we recommend the appropriation of \$50, the case being especially deserving.

In the matter of the applications of Golden Fleece Lodge, No. 89, and Shell Lodge, No. 184, we are of the opinion that the Lodges named have not done their duty in these cases, having ample funds on hand, but having contributed nothing, and we recommend that no appropriation be made at this time in these cases.

Your committee further recommend the payment by the Grand Treasurer in monthly installments to the following named persons of the following amounts:

M. W. Bro. R. H. Gove, Rochester.....	\$300.00
R. W. Bro. J. T. Lombard, Hudson, Wis.....	200.00
Bro. M. C. Burnside, Minneapolis.....	50.00
Mrs. E. C. Pierson, St. Paul.....	360.00

Owing to the many calls made upon the M. W. Grand Master A. D. Countryman for visitations and other official duties, largely increasing the expenditures ordinarily required of the Grand Master, we recommend that an additional appropriation of \$150 be made for the purpose of reimbursing him for actual expenses incurred.

In the matter of the resolution of Bro. C. L. West for an appropriation on account of Fiftieth Anniversary, your committee recommend that the resolution be referred to the Semi-Centennial Committee for consideration and payment out of funds in the hands of said committee.

Your committee further recommend that the Grand Secretary be ordered to notify the Lodges that applications for appropriations for relief from the funds of this Grand Lodge must be made on the forms provided by this Grand Lodge and by vote and under seal of the Lodge.

S. S. KILVINGTON,

W. B. PATTON,

WM. DUNBRACK,

*Committee.*

Adopted.

On motion of the Grand Secretary, the usual vote of thanks was given to the St. Paul Masonic Union for the free use of the rooms used for Grand Lodge purposes, and to the several railroads traversing the state for reduced railroad fare.

The Grand Master elect announced the following list of appointed officers:

John C. Bennett, St. Paul.....W.'. Grand Orator  
 Alfred G. Pinkham, Owatonna.....W.'. Grand Chaplain  
 Joseph H. Johnson, Minneapolis.....W.'. Senior Grand Deacon  
 Gustaf Widell, Mankato.....W.'. Junior Grand Deacon  
 Charles L. Sawyer, Minneapolis.....W.'. Grand Marshal  
 John D. Carroll, Newport.....W.'. Grand Standard Bearer  
 R. A. W. McLeod, Lake City.....W.'. Grand Sword Bearer  
 H. W. Hendrickson, Montevideo.....W.'. Senior Grand Steward  
 Edwin H. Foot, Red Wing.....W.'. Junior Grand Steward  
 Eugene E. Swan, Stewart.....W.'. Grand Pursuivant  
 Charles J. Kruger, St. Paul.....W.'. Grand Tyler

The Grand Officers elected and appointed were then duly installed into their respective offices by Grand Master Countryman, Bro. Wm. P. Roberts acting as Grand Marshal, except the Grand Orator and Grand Chaplain, who were not present, and who will be installed in their respective lodges.

The Grand Master appointed the following committees:

*On Returns of Lodges*—Bros. J. M. Rowley (21), O. C. Hanson (133), J. T. Johnson (99).

*On Correspondence*—Bros. Irving Todd (7), Thos. Montgomery (54), George R. Metcalf (3).

*On Masonic Home*—Bros. Wm. P. Roberts, Chairman (4); A. D. Countryman, Past Grand Master; E. H. Sherwin (16).

He also appointed Bro. Wm. B. Patton (79) Custodian for term of five years.

On motion of Bro. Wm. P. Roberts (4) the Grand Treasurer was directed to invest as soon as possible all money in the general fund, not required for the current year's expenses, in interest-bearing certificates or securities for the benefit of the Grand Lodge.

No further business appearing, the Grand Lodge was closed at 7 p. m. in AMPLE FORM, peace and harmony prevailing.



HENRY R. ADAMS,  
*Grand Master.*

Attest:

*Thos. Montgomery*

*Grand Secretary.*

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ORATION.

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BY W. A. BRO. WELLINGTON C. MASTERMAN, GRAND ORATOR.

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*Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:*

Masonry is a progressive science; therefore Masonry is progress. Whatsoever has related to the progress and development, material, mental, moral, of our state, the nation, the world, relates to Masonry. For the great principles that are laid down in Masonic law and that are taught within these walls are responsible for the happy homes and firesides, are responsible for the wide diffusion of knowledge, are responsible for governments by the people, are responsible for declarations of independence, are responsible for Magna Charta, and all the good that has come therefrom. And while I disclaim the intention of appropriating the credit for the wonderful development of our time or of other times to the institution of Masonry, yet I am but axiomatic in saying that the principles for which Masons contend are eternal, are those taught by the Grand Master of the Universe, and have been forever the mighty forces that have moved the hearts of men in all undertakings that resulted in great good.

It is in this spirit and with this understanding of Masonry that I address you.

The pendulum that ticks off the years has swung back for the fiftieth time since the fathers assembled in this city to institute this Masonic Grand Jurisdiction. We meet here to-day, as we have met each recurring year, to tell the story of the progress of our Order, to make up and close the record of the year that has faded and to perform those duties laid upon us as Masons, as members of this grand body. Aye, more; we are here to commemorate the semi-centennial of the founding of this Grand Lodge of Masons; we are here to tell the story of the past and to draw from that story inspiration for the future; we are here to commemorate the lives and deeds of those who, having fought the fight, are gathered Home, who now sit at the feet of the Grand Master of the Universe, and who, we verily believe, are full of unspeakable happiness.

The occasion is momentous; it is one to approach with a full realization of its duties and responsibilities; it is a landmark in our Masonic existence, one that will be reverted to in the years to come by our successors and from which, I trust, they will gather inspiration, even as we do to-day, from the story of the lives and deeds of those who held the boards, the pioneers, the founders of the early days.

Our half century of existence is history; it has become a part of all the time of all the past; it has joined the procession of the ages, and we cannot, if we would, recall it. All the mistakes, all the failures, all the wrongs, all the achievements, all the good, all the progress are written in the Book of Time and cannot be effaced. It is for us to take heed of the lessons of the past, to avoid its errors, to beware of the bad, to emulate the good and to teach our children and our children's children not to let perish the memories of the pioneers, the builders, the heroes of the long ago.

The pioneers! How we revere their memories; how we love them; how we delight to hear them tell of the early days; of the primeval forest; of the unbroken plain; of the chase; of the lake and stream teeming with aquatic life; of the trapper and hunter; of the savage red man; of the solitude and grandeur of the mighty river in its majestic flow to the ocean. With what fascination we listen to their tales of adventure; how we sympathize with them in the story of their homely, frugal lives; how we live over with them their simple though hearty pleasures. We picture the family group around the blazing hearth, happy without wealth, contented with their lot, living close to nature and to nature's God, sturdy, keen, alert, hardworking, ill-paid, blazing the path, breaking the road through forest and o'er plain, obeying the scriptural injunction to subdue the earth, and all that we might enjoy, we might reap the reward, we might live in comfort, in abundance, in luxury. What a debt we owe to the pioneers!

"The men and women who first broke ground here were not unlike those who constituted the outposts of civilization in other portions of our country, and they accomplished a work that will ever be gratefully remembered. The hardships they endured, the obstacles they encountered and overcame, their simple, frugal lives, their traits of character and their stern and indomitable wills, essentials to the calling of the pathfinder, are told alone in the history of our country.

"These men and women knew well that the three great forces which constitute the strength and glory of a free government are the family, the school and the church. These three they planted here and they nourished and cherished them with energy and devotion. Here were planted in the wilderness the symbols of this trinity of powers, and here, let us hope, may be maintained forever the ancient faith of our fathers in the sanctity of the home, the intelligence of the school and the faithfulness of the church. Where these three combine in prosperous union the safety and prosperity of the nation are assured."

The development of our country in the past fifty years has been little short of marvelous. The West in the early fifties was an unbroken wilderness; forest and prairie were alike the home of the savage, and the intrepid few who ventured into this then sparsely settled region suffered all the hardships and privations attendant upon



the life of the pioneer. The seat and center of the civilization of America were the states of the Atlantic coast, and but little was generally known of the broad empire in which we now dwell or of the unbroken stretches to the west and north.

The check to the onward march of civilization came with the civil war. Since the close of that mighty conflict the development has continued with increasing vigor. The portals of the country swung open and the tide of immigration turned toward the land of the free. The homestead law—wise and beneficent measure—paved the way for the early and rapid settlement of the arable lands within the borders of our fair state; the savage retreated toward the setting sun before the advance of the white man, and our prairies and forests became dotted with comfortable and happy homes; our cities grew to the dignity of metropolitan centers as though touched by the hand of the genii; the cultivation of the fertile soil yielded lavish reward to the husbandman; our forests provided an abundance and variety of building material; the bowels of the earth poured forth treasures of mineral and added to the general store, and the rapid development of transportation facilities kept abreast with the ever increasing demands made upon those arteries of commerce. Our citizens are prosperous, contented, happy, and the future stretches out before us holding promise of greater things to come.

Our country is at peace with all the world; the progress in the arts and sciences has been tremendous; nature's secrets have been wrested from her and made the slaves of mankind; countless discoveries and inventions, happily applied and generally utilized, have made the daily lives and occupations of our citizens less burdensome and we have with us no more, as a part of our social fabric, such a character as the "man with the hoe;" the standard of living is higher and is constantly bettering; our common schools—safe bulwark of the nation—our seminaries, colleges, public libraries and kindred institutions all make for the enlightenment and broadening of mankind; hospitals, infirmaries, schools for the indigent, institutions for defectives, asylums for the mentally sick and reformatories for the erring, inaugurated, fostered and supported by the public, are all doing their part toward the amelioration of the condition of mankind, and the broadest charity, both public and private, is exercised in behalf of the unfortunate poor and needy; our churches lift their spires heavenward by thousands, and in their sanctuaries men whose lives are devoted to the service of the Grand Master of the Universe preach the Word and there is none to say them nay.

We touch the electric spark and the doings of the moment are chronicled in the uttermost parts of the civilized world; we whisper to the imprisoned lightning and instantaneously, from half the breadth of a continent, in all its beauty, responds the voice of the loved one; yea, on the wings of the wind, far "o'er old ocean's gray and melancholy waste," summoned hither, sent yon by the scienced touch of the magician's wand, rushes the weird message of the air.

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The great institutions of learning and research have found means of restoring health to wasted and sicklied humankind, and through the untiring, unselfish and heroic perseverance of the devotees of that sacred calling, the healing of the sick, the bed of pain is softened and dying eyes close without the horror of acute physical anguish; the virus has been drawn from the stings of the plagues that were wont to devastate entire communities and they are forced to turn their poisoned fangs upon themselves and destroy their horrid presence.

The world is one, bound together by the immutable laws of nature, whose discovery and application have brought men and nations into the closest touch with each other throughout the civilized world.

The nation is in the midst of what is popularly termed the era of materialism, of money worship, yet she has not been so completely absorbed with the glitter of gold but she found it in her heart and embraced the opportunity to stretch forth the hand of mercy and strike away the wolf of tyranny and oppression from the throat of struggling Cuba, and, taking her by the hand, "bade her rise, follow her guide and fear no danger." The cost was treasure and an effusion of precious blood, but they were yielded up freely, gladly, even as they were poured out upon the altar of the country a generation ago, the sacrifice whose full fruition was the abolition forever of the traffic in human flesh and blood.

Our beneficent policy in the islands of the sea is bearing fruit, and the sublime spectacle of the greatest of the nations of the earth, not the oppressor of the weak, not extorting tribute by might, not in self-aggrandizement, not an-hungered by the greed of land, but in justice, in mercy, in uprightness, in the name of Him extending succor and relief to the oppressed, is the grandest lesson written on all the pages of all the history of all the time.

The superstition, intolerance and bigotry of the past are gone hence with the faded years. Men have a more kindly and brotherly feeling toward men than at any period of the world's history, and we are fifty years nearer the ideal set up by the Grand Master of the Universe nearly two thousand years ago than at the institution of this Grand Jurisdiction in 1853.

"The distinctive glory of our time," says one, "is that it distributes knowledge. To-day learning no longer hides in the convent or slumbers in the palace. No! She comes out into every day life, joins hands with the multitude and cushions the peasant. Our astronomy looks at but does not dwell in the stars. It serves navigation and helps us run boundaries. Our chemistry is not the secret of the alchemist striving to change base metals into gold. It is the practical application of it. Our distinction lies in the liberty of intellect and the diffusion of knowledge."

The men and women of our day are the arbiters of their own fortunes; every man stands equal before his fellows and is endowed with God-given and law-protected rights to life, liberty and the pur-

suit of happiness. The sum of human misery is less—far less—to-day than ever before, and this sum is being reduced as the years go on.

The foundations of our government were laid broad and deep and with master hands. The stones were well-nigh perfect that entered into the construction of the governmental temple, and its beauty and symmetry have not suffered, but have been perfected by time, and, even though swept by a cyclone of fire and storm and wrath, its dome still pierces the azure vault of the heavens and its foundations are unmoved.

The history of the past is written. Mistakes, errors, crimes there have been, yet, as a whole, as a fabric, the history of the past fifty years of this land we call ours, this America, is glorious; glorious in progress, material, mental and moral, and it forms the brightest period in the history of the nations of the world, telling as it does of the onward march of the greatest among those nations to the ultimate attainment of the highest and best, reserved only for those—nations and men—who travel ever onward, ever upward.

The institution of Freemasonry has never changed since its inception, and it will live and flourish while the sun shines, the rains water the earth and the fields yield of their abundance. Founded in the hearts of men, there it still abides. The symbols, the outward show, the grips, the signs, the clothing do not constitute Masonry; they are the mere outward trappings; they are temporary and in time will perish, while the eternal principles for which Masons contend and which were proclaimed by Him who walked by Galilee live on.

Affiliation with a Lodge of Masons, complete understanding and a proper exemplification of the sublime work, dutiful and strict obedience to the written law laid down by this or any Grand Jurisdiction of themselves will not erect a Mason. One may have all these accomplishments in the highest degree and yet fail at the supreme test, which is the heart test. He may have the outward polish, the correct exterior, the superficial attainments and yet lack the germ from which springs the full and ripened fruit. I confess the test is crucial, yet it is by this test alone that we judge Masons, that we judge men. "As a man is in his heart, so is he." If a man cherish in his heart those eternal truths taught within these walls, the symbols and trappings and outward habiliments he assumes when he enters here and casts aside when he departs cannot make him more a Mason, although it give him the external appearance.

So, then, all men who carry locked within their breasts those things we look upon; those things that are never dying; those things that have brought the human race out of bondage into freedom; those things that have, through all the ages, lifted up and sustained the common people; those things that have made for progress, for development, for Christianity, for civilization; those things that impelled the pilgrim fathers to leave their homes and cross an unknown sea to an inhospitable shore; those things that erected a Washington; those things that inspired the luminous words that "all

men are created free and equal and are endowed with certain inalienable rights, among which are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness;" those things that sustained a Lincoln; those things that dry the tears of the sorrowful; those things that cherish the sanctity of the home; those things that impel to succor and relieve the distressed of all climes; those things that look to a living God as the ruler of all and the arbiter of the destinies of mankind; these, then, are all Masons, are all brothers.

These men, these brothers are a mighty throng. They are greater, far greater in numbers than are we; these know not our secret ways; these know not the signs, the tokens, the grips, the words, but in their heart of heart is the alpha and omega of Ancient Free and Accepted Masonry, and they travel with us, hand in hand, heart to heart, albeit unconsciously. Would that all such were enrolled with us materially as they are spiritually. The lives and deeds of this army of adherents to the principles of Masonry have brought light out of darkness, order out of chaos, civilization out of barbarism, shorn tyrants of their power and placed governments in the hands of the people, given us universal education, emancipated woman and made life worth the living.

I make this point to demonstrate the truth that if all the progress, all the development, all the effort suggested, impelled through the labor and travail of these cardinal virtues within the hearts of the millions that have slowly and painfully climbed upward and onward through the ages and who have, through fire and sword, paved the way for the pleasant conditions of our day may not be attributed to the Masonic institution, it is nevertheless true that the principles for which that institution stands, by which it lives, without which it is a mummery and a mockery, a conglomeration of dross and tinsel, of empty titles and high-sounding phrases, are the mighty levers that have moved the world in its progress from darkness to light, the forces that are forever at work and through which shall come finally the emancipation of the race and the ushering in of the complete and perfect brotherhood of man.

Thus briefly, all too imperfectly and with a keen sense of personal unworthiness and incompetency to preach the exalted theme toward which my thoughts run to-day, have I endeavored to word-sketch the vitality, the heart, the soul of Masonry. We may rest well assured that just in so far as these mighty principles guide our course in exact measure will the reward come and will Masonry come into its own. Shall we not, on this, our fiftieth natal day, dedicate ourselves anew to the eternal truths that are the all of our Masonic lives? Yea, and let each search his heart of heart and find out wherein he fails—if he fail—to measure up to the standard; let each, ere he crosses the border line that divides the great past and the greater future, ask of himself the question: "Am I a Mason?" The answer will come, quickly if silently, and thrice blessed is he if that answer be: "I am."

## APPENDIX A—GRAND OFFICERS.

ELECTIVE GRAND OFFICERS OF THE G. L. OF MINNESOTA, FROM ITS ORGANIZATION, FEB. 24, 1853, TO THE PRESENT TIME.

Date Installed.	Grand Master.	Deputy G. M.	Senior G. W.	Junior G. W.	G. Treasurer.	G. Secretary.
Feb. 24, 1853	A. E. Ames*	A. Goodrich*	D. F. Brawley*	A. Van Vorhes*	E. Case*	J. G. Lennon*
Jan. 3, 1854	A. E. Ames*	D. F. Brawley*	A. Van Vorhes*	A. T. C. Pierson*	E. Case*	H. Reynolds*
Jan. 8, 1854	M. Sherburne*	A. T. C. Pierson*	T. J. Stearns*	A. T. C. Pierson*	E. Case*	H. Reynolds*
Jan. 11, 1854	A. T. C. Pierson*	H. N. Selzer*	Thos. J. Lombard	E. A. Hodgson†	E. Case*	Geo. W. Prescott*
Jan. 8, 1857	A. T. C. Pierson*	Wm. H. Mower*	E. A. Hodgson†	William Lee*	E. Case*	Geo. W. Prescott*
Jan. 8, 1858	A. T. C. Pierson*	D. B. Loomis*	Frank Manior*	A. C. Smith*	E. Case*	Geo. W. Prescott*
Oct. 27, 1858	A. T. C. Pierson*	D. B. Loomis*	Samuel E. Adams	Samuel E. Adams	E. Case*	Geo. W. Prescott*
Oct. 26, 1859	A. T. C. Pierson*	D. B. Loomis*	J. C. Whipple*	J. C. Whipple*	E. Case*	Geo. W. Prescott*
Oct. 25, 1860	A. T. C. Pierson*	J. C. Whipple*	L. E. Thompson*	C. W. Thompson*	E. Case*	Geo. W. Prescott*
Oct. 23, 1861	A. T. C. Pierson*	J. C. Whipple*	C. H. Lindsay†	George Bradley*	E. Case*	Geo. W. Prescott*
Oct. 28, 1861	A. T. C. Pierson*	J. C. Whipple*	E. C. Wells†	W. J. Rigby	E. Case*	Geo. W. Prescott*
Oct. 25, 1864	Geo. W. Prescott*	J. C. Whipple*	G. B. Cooley*	A. B. Curry†	Geo. L. Otis*	A. T. C. Pierson*
Oct. 25, 1865	Charles W. Nash	P. E. Hubbell*	Robert Stewart*	A. J. Phelps†	Geo. L. Otis*	C. W. Carpenter.
Oct. 23, 1866	Charles W. Nash	R. A. Jones*	S. R. Merrell*	S. R. Merrell*	Geo. L. Otis*	Wm. S. Combs.
Jan. 15, 1867	Charles W. Nash	R. A. Jones*	S. Y. Hyde.	S. Y. Hyde.	Geo. L. Otis*	Wm. S. Combs.
Jan. 13, 1870	Charles W. Nash	G. B. Cooley*	F. D. B. Porter†	Fred Joss*	Geo. L. Otis*	Wm. S. Combs.
Jan. 12, 1871	Charles W. Nash	C. Griswold	F. N. Castle*	L. W. Morford*	Geo. L. Otis*	Wm. S. Combs.
Jan. 15, 1872	C. Griswold	I. N. Castle*	Edgar Nash	L. B. Barnum*	Geo. L. Otis*	Wm. S. Combs.
Jan. 15, 1873	C. Griswold	I. N. Castle*	Edgar Nash	L. B. Cummings*	Geo. L. Otis*	E. D. B. Porter†
Jan. 13, 1875	C. Griswold	I. C. Braden*	H. R. Wells*	A. J. Edgerton*	George A. Camp*	E. D. B. Porter†
Jan. 11, 1877	J. C. Braden*	I. C. Braden*	F. Rogers*	C. O. Ball*	George A. Camp*	A. T. C. Pierson*
Jan. 16, 1878	F. W. Durant	E. H. Wells	C. H. Benton*	C. N. Daniels*	J. H. Thompson*	A. T. C. Pierson*
Jan. 15, 1879	Henry R. Wells	C. H. Benton*	C. H. Benton*	J. H. Brown*	J. H. Thompson*	A. T. C. Pierson*
Jan. 14, 1880	Henry R. Wells	G. H. Davis	Henry R. Denny	R. H. Gove*	J. H. Thompson*	A. T. C. Pierson*
Jan. 12, 1881	Henry R. Wells	G. H. Davis	Henry R. Denny	R. H. Gove*	J. H. Thompson*	A. T. C. Pierson*
Jan. 11, 1882	C. H. Benton*	Henry R. Denny	H. P. Fitch†	A. P. Fitch†	J. H. Thompson*	A. T. C. Pierson*
Jan. 10, 1883	C. H. Benton*	Henry R. Denny	H. P. Fitch†	A. P. Fitch†	J. H. Thompson*	A. T. C. Pierson*
Jan. 16, 1884	Henry R. Denny	R. H. Gove*	J. A. Kiester	A. Marden	J. H. Thompson*	A. T. C. Pierson*
Jan. 14, 1885	Henry R. Denny	R. H. Gove*	J. A. Kiester	Alphonso Barto*	J. H. Thompson*	A. T. C. Pierson*
Jan. 13, 1886	R. H. Gove*	J. H. Brown*	J. A. Kiester	Alphonso Barto*	J. H. Thompson*	A. T. C. Pierson*
Jan. 12, 1887	J. H. Brown*	J. A. Kiester	Alphonso Barto*	Geo. S. Ackert	J. H. Thompson*	A. T. C. Pierson*
Jan. 13, 1888	J. H. Brown*	J. A. Kiester	Alphonso Barto*	Charles D. Boyce.	J. H. Thompson*	A. T. C. Pierson*
Jan. 17, 1889	J. A. Kiester.	Alphonso Barto*	W. F. Dickinson	Charles D. Boyce.	J. H. Thompson*	A. T. C. Pierson*



Nov. 30, 1889	57	Alphonso Barto*	60	W. F. Dickinson*	91	Charles D. Boyce	2	J. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery
Jan. 17, 1890	60	W. F. Dickinson*	91	Charles D. Boyce	2	H. C. Shepard	18	J. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery
Jan. 15, 1891	60	W. F. Dickinson*	91	C. L. Brown	133	Wm. B. Patton	79	J. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery
Jan. 14, 1892	60	W. F. Dickinson*	91	C. L. Brown	133	J. D. Markham	146	J. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery
Jan. 12, 1893	133	C. L. Brown	133	Charles L. West	39	A. T. Stebbins	21	J. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery
Jan. 11, 1894	133	Chas. L. West	39	J. F. Lawless	3	A. T. Stebbins	99	J. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery
Jan. 17, 1895	133	J. F. Lawless	3	A. T. Stebbins	21	A. Brandenburgh	99	J. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery
Jan. 16, 1896	133	A. T. Stebbins	21	A. Brandenburgh	99	J. H. Randall*	4	J. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery
Jan. 14, 1897	133	A. T. Stebbins	21	A. Brandenburgh	99	J. H. Randall*	4	J. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery
Jan. 13, 1898	133	A. T. Stebbins	21	A. Brandenburgh	99	A. D. Countryman	187	J. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery
Jan. 12, 1899	133	A. T. Stebbins	21	A. Brandenburgh	99	Gid S. Ives	54	J. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery
Jan. 18, 1900	133	A. T. Stebbins	21	A. Brandenburgh	99	Enoch Stott	224	J. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery
Jan. 24, 1901	133	A. T. Stebbins	21	A. Brandenburgh	99	Enoch Stott	18	J. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery
Jan. 23, 1902	133	A. T. Stebbins	21	A. Brandenburgh	99	Enoch Stott	18	J. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery
Jan. 23, 1902	133	A. T. Stebbins	21	A. Brandenburgh	99	Enoch Stott	18	J. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery
Feb. 25, 1903	133	A. T. Stebbins	21	A. Brandenburgh	99	Thomas Morris	141	D. W. Knowlton	112	T. Montgomery

\* Deceased. † No session of Grand Lodge in 1892 or 1893. ‡ Expelled. § Withdrawn. ¶ Stricken from roll of lodge.

## APPENDIX B.—DIRECTORY OF LODGES, 1903.

No.	Name of Lodge.	Location.	Date of Charter.	Worshipful Master.	Senior Warden.	Junior Warden.	Secretary.	Time of Meeting.
1	St. Johns.	Stillwater.	Feb. 24, '56	W. C. Masterman.	Roy G. Staples.	Fred'k W. Gail.	Thos. H. Warren.	1 and 3 Mon.
2	Calawat.	Minneapolis.	" 24, '56	Joseph S. Todd.	George P. Sjöblom.	E. B. Nicholson.	W. H. J. Pearce.	1 Sat.
3	St. Paul.	St. Paul.	" 24, '56	Albert B. Wood.	Fred'k J. Baustler.	Fred J. Bielenberg.	P. S. Hendrickson.	1 Fri.
4	Hennepin.	Minneapolis.	Jan. 2, '54	F. V. McCreath.	Fred'k A. Knights.	Fred G. Dustin.	Henry S. Mead.	2 and 4 Wed.
5	DaScent Landmark	St. Paul.	" 2, '54	George C. Knispel.	Owen Morris.	Lawrence Hope.	Milton T. Emery.	2 and 4 Wed.
6	Red Wing.	Red Wing.	" 2, '56	A. J. Johnson.	Wm. Snook.	J. E. Olson.	Geo. A. Emerson.	1 Mon.
7	Faribault.	Faribault.	" 2, '56	Edw. H. Foot.	Frank D. Putnam.	H. E. Shedd.	Geo. H. Diepenbrock.	2 and 4 Mon.
8	Faribault.	Faribault.	Oct. 26, '65	Walter Birch.	I. F. Lindeman.	O. M. Henderson.	J. E. Goodman.	2 and 4 Tues.
9	Manorville.	Manorville.	Jan. 6, '57	I. F. Whitney.	M. C. Shaver.	A. A. Culver.	J. E. Burdick.	2 and 4 Sat.
10	Manorville.	Manorville.	" 6, '57	A. O. Eberhart.	Samuel B. Wilson.	Clayton L. Kennedy.	Harry Paddock.	1 and 3 Mon.
11	Manorville.	Manorville.	" 6, '57	M. W. Dady.	I. R. Brown.	F. S. Goss.	A. J. Stone.	1 and 3 Sat.
12	Manorville.	Manorville.	" 6, '57	F. H. Chiles.	O. M. Chamberlain.	C. D. Keene.	B. M. Barker.	1 and 3 Mon.
13	Wadena.	Wadena.	" 6, '57	W. Hayes Laird.	James D. Becker.	Albert J. Snure.	Wesley S. Moe.	1 and 3 Tues.
14	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	De C. Rhines.	F. S. James.	S. S. Strouse.	Joseph J. Hillmer.	1 and 3 Tues.
15	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	George B. Doty.	C. C. Reynolds.	George E. Young.	Horace M. Myers.	1 and 3 Wed.
16	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	George Logan.	E. A. Duxbury.	O. K. Dahl.	Fred R. Williams.	1 and 3 Wed.
17	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	John H. Elmore.	Timothy H. Bliss.	O. C. Heyerdale.	C. W. Churchill.	1 and 3 Tues.
18	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	Wm. H. Thompson.	John H. Wood.	Wm. Smith.	C. L. Denny.	1 and 3 Tues.
19	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	W. M. McAllister.	Fred A. Ranney.	Oto H. Wood.	John C. Munro.	1 and 3 Tues.
20	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	A. L. Doeg.	George Hofeld.	Wm. H. Schreider.	Fred M. Dow.	1 and 3 Tues.
21	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	George King.	E. L. Allen.	I. F. D. Meighen.	O. J. Wulff.	1 and 3 Tues.
22	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	Joseph Kohland.	George P. Fish.	John E. Boyington.	Frank L. Smith.	1 and 3 Tues.
23	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	Thomas J. Abbott.	Addis Luther.	M. W. Smith.	F. R. Sherin.	1 and 3 Tues.
24	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	Geo. Osborne Orr.	Samuel Bell.	Oliver F. Warnes.	Frank Hart.	1 and 3 Tues.
25	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	Bert L. Blair.	W. H. Phillips.	Jacob Edelman.	Frank Hart.	1 and 3 Tues.
26	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	C. J. Balch.	F. W. Farrington.	Thos. M. Stevenson.	H. A. Engler.	1 and 3 Tues.
27	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	Nils N. Monson.	W. J. Lieb.	A. G. Pinkham.	Wm. J. Bernier.	1 and 3 Tues.
28	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	A. M. Hayes.	C. E. Reed.	Hiram E. Conley.	P. G. Swanson.	1 and 3 Tues.
29	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	A. B. Smith.	Charles S. Smith.	W. G. Matteson.	Levi Manning.	1 and 3 Tues.
30	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	Charles Parham.	Julius Johnson.	F. H. Cummings.	S. B. Rude.	1 and 3 Tues.
31	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	H. W. Swerns.	Chas. Linstead.	Wesley Shepard.	W. K. Read.	1 and 3 Tues.
32	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	John H. Robertson.	E. H. Catlin.	Clovis S. Day.	W. D. Hayward.	1 and 3 Tues.
33	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	R. A. W. McLeod.	John M. Rustad.	A. V. Manchester.	J. S. Thompson.	1 and 3 Tues.
34	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	E. S. Person.	F. W. Fulkerson.	I. S. Flatland.	L. S. Lutz.	1 and 3 Tues.
35	Minneapolis.	Minneapolis.	" 6, '57	W. L. Tiff.	L. P. Albrecht.	Harold G. Nelson.	C. V. Corson.	1 and 3 Tues.

43	Harmony.....	Lewis J. Baldwin.....	J. E. Peters.....	J. F. Madden.....	O. W. Hunt.....	1 and 2 Mon.
44	King Solomon.....	H. O. Smith.....	J. R. Buchanan.....	E. H. Ellsworth.....	C. C. Storer.....	2 and 4 Sat.
45	Union.....	H. F. Weis.....	D. D. Sykes.....	M. P. Curtis.....	Theo. G. Mahler.....	1 and 3 Tues.
46	Evergreen.....	R. F. Walker.....	F. G. Sanders.....	Neil Bain.....	H. B. Clawson.....	1 and 3 Sat.
47	Concord.....	George Simpson.....	J. H. Clark.....	W. C. Davis.....	Wm. Van Antwerp.....	1 and 3 Mon.
48	Social.....	W. F. Manhart.....	Hiram C. Bear.....	R. D. Kelsey.....	D. D. Turner.....	1 and 3 Mon.
49	Rising Sun.....	Albert F. Kuebler.....	Guy E. Halgren.....	Emil W. Heubach.....	Robt. A. Johnson.....	* and 3 Tues.
50	Watertown.....	Irving T. Morey.....	Wm. L. Eddy.....	H. A. Malsed.....	M. L. Malsed.....	* and 3 Tues.
51	Acacia.....	George F. Merritt.....	Wm. L. Eddy.....	J. G. Johnson.....	Peter Thompson.....	1 and 3 Tues.
52	Cottage Grove.....	H. G. Murdock.....	James Bennett.....	Julius D. Plonky.....	Judson C. Temple.....	2 and 4 Wed.
53	St. Peter.....	Chas. M. Cooper.....	Hans Thoen.....	H. A. Hildebrandt.....	Geo. W. Seymour.....	2 and 4 Wed.
54	St. Peter Falls.....	C. N. Brown.....	E. W. Rossman.....	E. E. Blending.....	Wm. H. Silsbee.....	1 and 3 Sat.
55	Nicollet.....	Roy Vial.....	M. M. Freer.....	Chas. L. Thurber.....	F. A. Ross.....	1 and 3 Sat.
56	Meridian.....	Carlton L. Webb.....	Harris E. Leach.....	Kerry Conley.....	Leu Lyman.....	1 and 3 Tues.
57	Blue Earth City.....	C. J. Seymour.....	Edwin G. Paul.....	Julian C. Frick.....	Edgar J. Stearns.....	1 and 3 Tues.
58	Spring Valley.....	Fred L. Gilbert.....	M. A. Scherffens.....	Harold L. Lamb.....	Philoman Lamb.....	2 and 4 Tues.
59	Temple.....	C. V. Holmstrom.....	W. W. Newland.....	C. W. Nixon.....	C. W. Matteson.....	1 and 3 Mon.
60	Star in the West.....	Leonard A. Stone.....	Chas. Bugbee.....	Wm. Jacobs.....	Geo. O. Crandall.....	1 and 3 Tues.
61	Ashler.....	O. S. Lundberg.....	Ed. C. Ellis.....	Harry D. Smith.....	Lee J. Meachum.....	1 and 3 Tues.
62	Star.....	Henry A. Wells.....	A. A. Horton.....	Wm. Bird, Jr.....	J. G. Mitchell.....	2 and 4 Tues.
63	Illustrious.....	Harcor Lyons.....	Henry Tyler.....	A. A. Davis.....	Albert Dickinson.....	2 and 4 Tues.
64	Chain Lake.....	C. E. McCann.....	Frank L. Mullen.....	George A. Baldwin.....	John A. Helling.....	1 and 3 Tues.
65	Golden Rule.....	John R. Anderson.....	C. B. Whittier.....	A. K. Gray.....	H. H. Judson.....	2 and 4 Tues.
66	Madelia.....	Chas. M. Hawkes.....	William Stage.....	Robert Milde.....	John A. Pederson.....	2 and 4 Tues.
67	Corinthian.....	W. W. Parish.....	Joseph J. Phillips.....	Maurice A. Case.....	Albert E. Bugbe.....	2 and 4 Sat.
68	Mystic Star.....	Harry G. Gearhart.....	Warren M. Walker.....	Wm. F. McCann.....	O. M. Winslow.....	2 and 4 Sat.
69	Paynesville.....	August L. Pochler.....	Chas. F. Ulrich.....	Ferdinand O. Wells.....	J. M. Wyckoff.....	2 and 4 Sat.
70	Lansing.....	Wm. T. Cowley.....	Chas. A. Smith.....	O. M. Reynolds.....	W. B. Falauter.....	1 and 3 Sat.
71	Lansing.....	C. C. Gleason.....	J. E. Parish.....	Ralph D. Garland.....	O. J. Lawson.....	2 and 4 Tues.
72	Eureka.....	D. W. Robinson.....	Stanley R. Holden.....	Guy A. Eaton.....	M. Omolt.....	2 and 4 Fri.
73	Good Thunder.....	High Forest.....	August Stucke.....	Frank E. Ratter.....	Henry Nesbett.....	1 and 3 Mon.
74	Waseca.....	Money Creek.....	Eugene E. Hensel.....	C. H. Corey.....	Fred Hermann.....	1 and 3 Sat.
75	Houston.....	High Forest.....	C. C. Chambers.....	H. W. Brown.....	Joseph J. Volker.....	2 and 4 Wed.
76	Duluth.....	Wells.....	F. E. Dean.....	E. G. Campbell.....	A. N. Carter.....	1 and 3 Wed.
77	Palatine.....	Mazeppa.....	L. L. Mathews.....	M. E. Fellows.....	J. J. McCaughy.....	1 and 3 Wed.
78	Mystic Circle.....	Wells.....	R. F. Drake.....	Wm. Clark.....	A. G. Larson.....	1 and 3 Wed.
79	Henderson.....	Golden Pleece.....	John W. Wright.....	John W. Johnson.....	E. G. Armstrong.....	1 and 3 Sat.
80	Constellation.....	Golden Pleece.....	John W. Wright.....	H. M. Burnham.....	E. G. Nichols.....	1 and 3 Sat.
81	Howard.....	Golden Pleece.....	John W. Wright.....	L. N. Tompkins.....	John A. Krawisch.....	1 and 3 Tues.
82	Hiram Abi.....	Golden Pleece.....	John W. Wright.....	H. M. Burnham.....	W. C. Hartson.....	2 and 4 Fri.
83	Orient.....	Golden Pleece.....	John W. Wright.....	F. L. Warner.....	W. S. Branner.....	1 and 3 Wed.
84	High Forest.....	Golden Pleece.....	John W. Wright.....	F. L. Small.....	J. F. Zimmerman.....	2 and 4 Wed.
85	Tyrian.....	Golden Pleece.....	John W. Wright.....	W. O. Brodhead.....	W. H. Fletcher.....	1 and 3 Sat.
86	Doric.....	Golden Pleece.....	John W. Wright.....	W. O. Brodhead.....	W. H. Fletcher.....	1 and 3 Sat.
87	Golden Pleece.....	Golden Pleece.....	John W. Wright.....	W. O. Brodhead.....	W. H. Fletcher.....	1 and 3 Sat.
88	Good Path.....	Golden Pleece.....	John W. Wright.....	W. O. Brodhead.....	W. H. Fletcher.....	1 and 3 Sat.
89	Antiquity.....	Golden Pleece.....	John W. Wright.....	W. O. Brodhead.....	W. H. Fletcher.....	1 and 3 Sat.
90	Fraternat.....	Golden Pleece.....	John W. Wright.....	W. O. Brodhead.....	W. H. Fletcher.....	1 and 3 Sat.
91	Unity.....	Golden Pleece.....	John W. Wright.....	W. O. Brodhead.....	W. H. Fletcher.....	1 and 3 Sat.
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No.	Name of Lodge.	Location.	Date of Charter.	Worshipful Master.	Senior Warden.	Junior Warden.	Secretary.	Time of Meeting.
84	Keystone.....	Sleepy Eye.....	Jan. 10, '72	Thos. J. Murfin.....	A. F. Strickler.....	T. F. Addy.....	T. F. Talbot.....	1 and 3 Tues.
85	Sherburne.....	Elk River.....	" 10, '72	F. D. Waterman.....	John Bither.....	C. Q. Scoboria.....	Andrew Davis.....	1 and 3 Tues.
86	Libanus.....	St. James.....	" 15, '73	S. B. Weiser.....	Chas. Engelbracht.....	W. B. Crowley.....	M. G. Fossum.....	2 and 4 Tues.
87	Prudence.....	Windom.....	" 15, '73	E. A. Sime.....	Chas. Trautthetter.....	Nels Anderson.....	John J. Rupp.....	1 and 3 Wed.
88	Charity.....	New Ulm.....	" 15, '73	N. Henningson.....	Elmor Hoidalde.....	Ernest T. Critchett.....	R. E. Schmidt.....	2 and 4 Tues.
89	Corner Stone.....	Fergus Falls.....	" 15, '73	J. A. Vandyk.....	E. A. Brown.....	J. R. Leach.....	R. E. Lincoln.....	1 Tues.
90	Aurora.....	Brainerd.....	" 15, '73	Edward Crust.....	Judd Wright.....	James C. Davis.....	G. F. Mitchell.....	2 and 4 Tues.
100	Fraternity.....	Worthington.....	" 15, '73	Harvey Hawley.....	Wilson Ager.....	Lee M. Shell.....	W. M. Evans.....	1 and 3 Mon.
102	Lebanon.....	Lanesboro.....	" 15, '73	R. C. McCoy.....	R. C. Sackett.....	C. W. Oxley.....	M. G. Fellows.....	1 and 3 Wed.
103	Bethel.....	Lake Crystal.....	" 15, '73	Thos. H. Jones.....	Paul D. Neff.....	F. J. Burke.....	F. W. Davis.....	1 and 3 Wed.
104	Sharon.....	Willmar.....	" 15, '73	Russell Spicer.....	John C. Freese.....	Axel H. Koise.....	Peter C. Peterson.....	2 and 4 Fri.
106	Mt. Tabor.....	Detroit.....	" 14, '74	Leonard C. Weeks.....	Harry P. Phillips.....	C. M. Johnston.....	Chas. G. Sturtevant.....	2 and 4 Tues.
108	Relief.....	Dodge Center.....	" 14, '74	O. H. Phillips.....	A. S. Palmer.....	Harry Sterling.....	R. W. Gamsby.....	1 and 3 Sat.
109	Sunset.....	Montevideo.....	" 14, '74	Wm. Dunbrack.....	H. C. Stebbins.....	G. A. Parks.....	E. B. Helberg.....	2 and 4 Sat.
110	Pickwick.....	Carver.....	" 13, '75	Jacob Brislle.....	George Sainsbury.....	Reuben F. Bourne.....	Thos. B. Rand.....	2 and 4 Sat.
111	Carver.....	Excelsior.....	" 13, '75	George W. Stiles.....	Clayton R. Cooley.....	Sam'l B. Washburn.....	O. C. Brunius.....	1 and 3 Sat.
112	Khurum.....	Excelsior.....	" 13, '75	Keith L. Davidson.....	Wm. S. McWade.....	Bryon D. Wilson.....	David W. Knowlton.....	2 and 4 Fri.
113	Excelsior.....	Lynne.....	" 13, '75	L. L. Bryan.....	C. O. Wright.....	C. A. Palmer.....	Elmer P. Hogan.....	2 and 4 Sat.
114	Ben Franklin.....	Excelsior.....	" 13, '75	John W. Bryant.....	Richard L. Wood.....	James Watterston.....	C. H. Humphrey.....	1 and 3 Fri.
115	Elgin.....	Catayette.....	" 12, '76	T. F. Bacon.....	George M. Short.....	J. N. Thatcher.....	William P. Holton.....	1 and 3 Fri.
116	Gatayette.....	Granite Falls.....	" 12, '76	M. C. Sullivan.....	W. F. Baker.....	A. T. Powers.....	G. W. Foster.....	1 and 3 Sat.
117	Newport.....	Newport.....	" 12, '76	J. M. Trickey.....	W. R. Sawyer.....	J. W. Tibbitts.....	W. J. Rice.....	1 and 3 Tues.
118	Delta.....	Marshall.....	" 12, '76	J. M. Humphrey.....	J. C. Burchard.....	M. Mather.....	H. A. Durand.....	2 and 4 Wed.
119	Grand Meadow.....	Grand Meadow.....	" 12, '76	Wm. A. Nolan.....	George A. Correll.....	George E. Keenan.....	S. N. Harrington.....	2 and 4 Fri.
120	Kellogg.....	Bloomington.....	" 12, '76	Geo. E. Johnson.....	H. W. Canfield.....	John Canfield.....	Philip Schlegel.....	2 and 4 Sat.
121	Prairie.....	Bloomington.....	" 12, '76	L. D. Rogers.....	T. R. Tomlin.....	Ole O. Bye.....	E. J. Parker.....	2 and 4 Tues.
122	Janesville.....	Janesville.....	" 12, '76	G. M. Henry.....	D. W. Norris.....	Ernest Wilkins.....	Walter L. Bucksen.....	2 and 4 Wed.
123	Winstow Lewis.....	Oaseo.....	" 10, '77	J. Pierce Wolfe.....	W. J. Awley.....	F. M. Libby.....	Clarence Merrill.....	2 and 4 Tues.
124	Moorthad.....	Moorthad.....	" 10, '77	J. T. Starkey.....	J. H. Dobie.....	Wm. Krueger.....	Wm. Krueger.....	2 and 4 Tues.
125	Keosauqua.....	Mapleton.....	" 10, '77	Michael Konstad.....	B. G. Covey.....	James Will.....	David R. Watson.....	1 and 3 Tues.
126	Swift.....	Pension.....	" 10, '77	W. T. Cobb.....	F. A. Johnson.....	E. L. Crooks.....	Robt. Sutherland.....	2 and 4 Wed.
127	Alma.....	Lyle.....	" 10, '78	H. C. Ackermann.....	J. W. Truue.....	A. B. Anderson.....	Ernest R. Aldrich.....	2 and 4 Tues.
128	Humboldt.....	Young America.....	" 10, '78	Fred B. Desch.....	Royal A. Stone.....	E. O. Bachmann.....	E. L. Stanley.....	1 and 3 Sat.
129	Golden Sheaf.....	Morris.....	" 10, '78	N. J. Hendrickson.....	G. W. Dakoust.....	John A. Linne.....	John E. Soper.....	2 and 4 Sat.
130	Cokato.....	Cokato.....	" 15, '79	W. W. Thomson.....	Wm. H. Cutting.....	Wm. E. Corkins.....	J. A. Eklund.....	1 and 3 Sat.
131	Nelson.....	Buffalo.....	" 15, '79	W. W. Thomson.....	Wm. H. Cutting.....	Alfred E. Sturgess.....	Sylvester R. Wells.....	2 and 4 Mon.

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126	Walnut.....	15	F. W. Damp.....	H. A. Perkins.....	C. W. Stephenson.....	F. F. Goff.....	1 and 3 Tues.
127	Appleton.....	14	George M. Dow.....	Wm. H. Young.....	Gunder Kivney.....	Manford Horn.....	2 and 4 Sat.
128	Orion.....	14	Louis E. Covell.....	Peter Boyle.....	Henry W. Jones.....	Frank W. Dobbyn.....	2 and 4 Sat.
129	Vendale.....	14	Thomas H. Kitchie.....	George W. Empey.....	George E. Merrill.....	Ernest Proctor.....	1 and 3 Tues.
130	Little Falls.....	14	H. W. Harding.....	F. E. Davis.....	F. E. Lyon.....	E. S. Stanton.....	2 and 4 Tues.
140	Crookston.....	14	Tom Morris.....	Joseph Smith.....	F. R. Ryan.....	H. K. Robertson.....	1 and 4 Mon.
142	Currie.....	12	Charles N. Smith.....	Charles E. Price.....	Frank W. Kullen.....	Leonard B. Sage.....	1 and 4 Mon.
143	Lakeview.....	12	H. L. Zwiener.....	E. N. Morrill.....	A. W. Schoen.....	Hayden French.....	1 and 3 Fri.
144	Bird Island.....	12	H. H. Gokey.....	C. C. Carpenter.....	Al H. Kroegsted.....	John McKenzie.....	1 and 3 Fri.
145	Melrose.....	12	Hugh C. Maguire.....	Chas. F. Leveverich.....	Henry Dodd.....	J. N. Conoyer.....	2 and 4 Tues.
146	Bellevue.....	12	Chas. W. Stiles.....	James Lafferty.....	James Grounell.....	Archie F. Stone.....	2 and 4 Fri.
147	Canby.....	11	Samuel Lewisohn.....	C. S. Nelson.....	Fred Bomboy.....	C. J. Miller.....	1 and 3 Fri.
148	Pipestone.....	11	C. H. Smith.....	E. H. Angelsinger.....	C. C. Horner.....	O. S. Taylor.....	1 and 3 Mon.
149	Brownton.....	11	James Bohn.....	George L. Butler.....	V. B. Jensen.....	A. L. Brown.....	1 and 3 Mon.
150	Warren.....	11	Wm. J. Brown.....	Douglas Farrell.....	Wilbur F. Powell.....	Thorvald Morck.....	1 and 3 Wed.
151	Chaska.....	11	Wm. C. Odell.....	Merritt Melvin.....	J. F. Root.....	K. K. Klammer.....	1 and 3 Wed.
152	Frontier.....	10	Wm. M. James.....	G. S. Lincs.....	Chas. B. Smith.....	H. L. Shirley.....	1 and 3 Tues.
153	Kondaba.....	10	L. C. Bigelow.....	James K. Crystal.....	Chas. Weiden.....	A. P. Simonson.....	1 and 3 Tues.
154	Norman.....	10	George M. Stowe.....	John Liddell.....	C. M. Wilford.....	G. Kittelson.....	1 and 3 Tues.
155	Tracy.....	10	Morris W. Knapp.....	A. C. Garber.....	Peter R. Barker.....	Chas. J. Berdan.....	1 and 3 Fri.
156	Wadena.....	10	L. E. Benson.....	St. Friedman.....	H. M. Young.....	Ulysses G. Boyer.....	1 and 3 Fri.
157	Perham.....	10	H. L. D'Arms.....	J. U. Hemmy.....	O. J. Torberson.....	L. J. Martin.....	2 and 4 Sat.
158	Hector.....	16	F. R. Harrison.....	Chas. H. Bishop.....	Geo. E. Trent.....	R. H. Harkens.....	2 and 4 Mon.
159	Long Prairie.....	14	J. Walter Howell.....	William Kerr.....	Geo. V. B. Hill.....	George W. Hall.....	1 and 3 Mon.
160	Plymouth.....	14	Dana Hoyt.....	F. E. Record.....	E. A. Reed.....	C. B. Cornwell.....	1 and 3 Tues.
161	Sincerity.....	14	A. W. Christison.....	F. E. Eastman.....	J. W. Jones.....	J. D. Houston.....	1 and 3 Tues.
162	Summit.....	14	T. T. Christison.....	Richard Wallace.....	J. W. Mahan.....	Robert B. Ware.....	2 and 4 Wed.
163	Jasper.....	13	John H. McDonald.....	Carl J. Stockdale.....	Curtis M. Johnson.....	James D. Markham.....	2 and 4 Fri.
164	Minnehaha.....	13	Wm. G. Stranahan.....	Lewis M. Schinabel.....	T. O. Dahl.....	H. S. Goff.....	1 and 3 Sat.
166	Garnet.....	13	Edward L. Fales.....	J. W. Norfisinger.....	Andrew Unterleiter.....	Frank J. Reif.....	2 and 4 Tues.
167	Agate.....	13	W. D. Coss.....	Lawrence L. Kotter.....	M. E. Wheeler.....	Jesse L. Cross.....	2 and 4 Wed.
168	Pierson.....	13	Charles H. Kenner.....	O. J. Asmott.....	Wm. H. Bell.....	George W. Heaton.....	1 and 3 Tues.
169	Fulda.....	12	A. A. Sidel.....	Albin Appel.....	Geo. Browning.....	George L. Mellott.....	1 and 3 Tues.
170	Spekiah.....	12	Michael N. Goss.....	Edw. Weisemberger.....	Edward A. Thiem.....	Emil King.....	1 and 3 Tues.
171	Marquette.....	12	H. M. Griffin.....	C. F. Smith.....	Geo. Durkee.....	Theo. H. Koerner.....	1 and 3 Tues.
172	Plumb Line.....	12	Walter Dixon.....	Geo. E. Sherwood.....	John W. Baker.....	C. J. Orton.....	2 and 3 Mon.
173	Valley.....	12	W. A. Simonton.....	J. Jeffers.....	James Wyell.....	Nelson Sutton.....	2 and 4 Ths.
174	Ronan Eagle.....	12	Joseph Brown.....	J. I. McKnight.....	James Wyell.....	W. F. Daugherty.....	1 and 3 Sat.
175	Ark.....	12	Paul B. Messer.....	Green L. Fort.....	A. O. Hendricks.....	Henry E. Swannan.....	1 and 3 Tues.
176	Rough Ashlar.....	12	John N. Schram.....	Paul Buelow.....	Harry Moore.....	Eugene C. Noyes.....	1 and 3 Wed.
177	Anchor.....	12	E. A. Boutwell.....	C. F. Conner.....	S. A. Bowler.....	F. J. Bohland.....	2 and 4 Wed.
178	King David.....	12	A. C. Jacobs.....	D. L. Owens.....	Thos. McDougal.....	H. H. Clifford.....	2 and 4 Sat.
179	Osakis.....	17	G. R. Babbitt.....	W. H. Crowe.....	Wm. G. Schultz.....	Wm. H. Leak.....	1 and 3 Tues.
180	Dulles.....	17	O. S. Parker.....	Louis G. Johnson.....	W. A. Yates.....	W. B. Lyons.....	2 and 4 Sat.
181		17			W. S. Lane.....	H. G. Stevens.....	1 and 3 Ths.



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182	Fair Haven .....	Annandale .....	Jan. 16, '90	H. K. Kelley .....	J. G. Hayter .....	S. J. Wooster .....	W. D. McDonald .....	1 and 3 Sat.
183	Shell .....	Park Rapids .....	" 16, '90	Smith DeWees .....	Frank Heisel .....	Allen M. Pilson .....	Geo. D. Mandigo .....	1 and 3 Tues.
184	Midway .....	St. Paul .....	" 16, '90	John W. North .....	Chas. T. Pohlbing .....	Edw. L. Foreman .....	Ernest L. Allard .....	2 and 4 Fri.
185	Ionc .....	Duluth .....	" 16, '90	Harry A. Hall .....	Hugh R. Burgo .....	Wm. D. Underhill .....	Burr Porter .....	2 and 4 Mon.
186	Escata .....	Minneapolis .....	" 16, '90	Elmer H. Gray .....	John Suggitt .....	I. E. Martin .....	J. D. Tolman .....	2 and 4 Mon.
187	Portlidge .....	Two Harbors .....	" 16, '90	Louis H. Bryan .....	David C. Henton .....	Archie Geddings .....	W. B. Woodward .....	2 and 4 Wed.
188	Traverse .....	Wheaton .....	" 15, '91	Joseph B. Bruns .....	E. H. Boley .....	L. J. Bakke .....	G. K. Kristeussen .....	2 and 4 Tues.
189	Trinac .....	St. Paul .....	" 15, '91	F. E. Thayer .....	F. W. Matison .....	S. K. Loux .....	A. L. Williams .....	1 and 3 Sat.
190	Minap .....	South St. Paul .....	" 15, '91	E. L. Sloan .....	Geo. L. Lytle .....	Allen Fitch .....	Oakley Fitch .....	1 and 3 Tues.
191	Crow River .....	Belgrade .....	" 15, '91	C. M. Iverslie .....	A. Ridgway .....	L. S. Waller .....	Sam H. Stauffer .....	1 and 3 Tues.
192	Amboy .....	Canby .....	" 15, '91	N. W. Sargent .....	Wm. Johnson .....	C. W. Smith .....	Murray Fargo .....	2 and 4 Tues.
193	Canby .....	Canby .....	" 15, '91	Jacob Larson .....	Wm. Johnson .....	Charles Vail .....	Murray Fargo .....	2 and 4 Tues.
194	Canby .....	Canby .....	" 15, '91	H. F. Houck .....	J. R. Butters .....	R. Blacklock .....	S. M. McIntosh .....	1 and 3 Tues.
195	Geneva .....	Madison .....	" 15, '91	H. F. Houck .....	Charles Taylor .....	H. B. Hurd .....	S. E. Farnham .....	1 and 3 Tues.
196	Geneva .....	Madison .....	" 15, '91	C. C. Opper .....	James Tippet .....	W. H. Congdon, Jr. .....	Nels Nelson .....	1 Tues.
197	Geneva .....	Madison .....	" 15, '91	Merrill M. Clark .....	Chas. C. Salter .....	George E. Budd .....	Andrew Dunelav .....	2 and 3 Wed.
198	Eucled .....	West Duluth .....	" 15, '91	Robert B. Forrest .....	Wm. A. Forsaith .....	Amos D. Smith .....	Wm. W. Baker .....	1 and 3 Sat.
199	Murray .....	Springfield .....	" 14, '92	Ernest Altermatt .....	W. M. Blackmun .....	John R. Marshall .....	John Schmelz .....	1 and 3 Sat.
200	Zenith .....	Kenyon .....	" 14, '92	M. H. Silvernale .....	W. C. Kath .....	E. H. Marshall .....	Thomas Mohr .....	2 and 4 Tues.
201	Atcher .....	Kenyon .....	" 14, '92	A. W. Ewing .....	S. R. Pryor .....	A. A. Stensrud .....	H. A. Onstad .....	2 and 4 Tues.
202	Stewartville .....	Stewartville .....	" 14, '92	Ed Burg .....	Andrew Rae .....	L. G. Tubbs .....	T. B. Horton .....	2 and 4 Tues.
203	St. Elmo .....	Wayzata .....	" 12, '93	W. S. Frear .....	L. N. Wright .....	A. G. McKnight .....	L. M. Vaughan .....	2 and 4 Tues.
204	Wayzata .....	Wayzata .....	" 12, '93	Joel Fogelberg .....	A. J. Hadley .....	A. R. Frick .....	E. G. Braden .....	1 and 3 Fri.
205	Posson .....	Wayzata .....	" 12, '93	David E. Tull .....	H. F. Mark .....	A. M. McKinnon .....	A. W. Foss .....	2 and 4 Sat.
206	Crescent .....	Staples .....	" 12, '93	J. S. Berney .....	E. A. Lewis .....	W. H. Pattison .....	R. A. Kremer .....	1 and 3 Fri.
207	Itasca .....	Grand Rapids .....	" 11, '94	Frank Hagberg .....	R. R. Bell .....	Thco. Burgett .....	Fred Padratz .....	1 and 3 Fri.
208	Sibley .....	Winthrop .....	" 11, '94	I. L. Gessell .....	G. E. Butler .....	F. J. Humaston .....	K. C. Buckeye .....	2 and 4 Wed.
209	Columbian .....	Heron Lake .....	" 11, '94	Edward C. Baird .....	Joseph A. Shaanon .....	Charles D. Catlin .....	William Cox .....	1 and 3 Wed.
210	Friendship .....	Griceville .....	" 11, '94	Elmer C. Yetter .....	James B. Muir .....	Alfred P. T. Sufel .....	G. Goodman .....	1 and 3 Tues.
211	Hallock .....	Hallock .....	" 17, '95	Geo. T. Williams .....	Frank E. Ebner .....	Irving Inness .....	Peter A. Jevne .....	1 and 3 Tues.
212	Hallock .....	Hallock .....	" 17, '95	P. J. Wrangelborg .....	Oscar Lindstrom .....	C. M. Borgen .....	Olaf Dalheim .....	2 and 4 Fri.
213	Mystic .....	Evansville .....	" 17, '95	J. W. McKay .....	James Foreman .....	Chas. G. Moline .....	O. L. Melgaard .....	1 and 3 Tues.
214	Evansville .....	Argyle .....	" 16, '96	I. P. Hauck .....	W. O. Dillingham .....	Thco. M. Thomas .....	A. B. Smith .....	1 and 3 Wed.
215	Argyle .....	Wood Lake .....	" 16, '96	S. Van Dresser .....	John McLean .....	A. P. Drake .....	G. H. Garner .....	1 and 3 Tues.
216	Florence .....	St. Paul .....	" 16, '96	John J. Leverenz .....	L. Pankake .....	M. K. Sisson .....	E. J. Sangrei .....	1 and 3 Mon.
217	Capital City .....	Dassel .....	" 16, '96	John J. Leverenz .....	L. Pankake .....	M. K. Sisson .....	E. J. Bahe .....	1 and 3 Mon.
218	Griswold .....	Dassel .....	" 16, '96	John J. Leverenz .....	L. Pankake .....	M. K. Sisson .....	E. J. Bahe .....	1 and 3 Mon.
219	Mt. Hermon .....	Hancock .....	" 16, '96	W. G. Cull .....	S. B. Page .....	E. J. Erickson .....	E. J. Bahe .....	1 and 3 Mon.

220	Olivia	Jan. 14, '97	J. H. McLaughlin.	G. M. Diepenbrock	John W. Salstrom.	Wm. P. Christensen.	2 and 4 Sat.
221	Cottowood	" 14, '97	C. R. Lainglin.	N. P. Fredrickson.	W. H. Garry.	Alex H. Lowe.	1 and 8 Wed.
222	Elysian	" 13, '98	H. L. Coffin.	J. M. Root.	L. C. Keene.	A. E. Constock.	1 and 8 Wed.
223	Mora	" 13, '98	Wm. Staples.	David R. Eaton.	S. D. McIlhargier.	John C. King.	1 and 8 Sat.
224	Minnesota	" 12, '99	Chas. D. Raymer.	Chas. D. Gould.	C. W. G. Hyde.	Victor H. Stough.	1 and 8 Tues.
225	Justice	" 12, '99	Richard Morton.	G. M. Royer.	G. M. Doster.	W. B. Clark.	1 and 8 Mon.
226	Lincoln	" 12, '99	James H. Ward.	Roscoe L. Cramb.	H. P. Bacon.	Phas. F. Searle.	1 and 8 Tues.
227	Elbow Lake	" 18, '00	E. H. Cornell.	G. L. Woodworth.	K. C. Kristopheron.	P. H. Clague.	1 and 4 Mon.
228	Vernon Center.	" 18, '00	Henry C. Kraus.	F. T. Marham.	G. C. Cornish.	C. S. Burrows.	1 and 4 Sat.
229	Stewart	" 18, '00	E. E. Swan.	J. P. Hoyt.	John Molander.	C. R. C. Baker.	1 and 4 Tues.
230	Alpha	" 18, '00	Wm. Anderson.	James Anderson.	Henry Marsden.	A. M. Rickmann.	1 and 4 Tues.
231	Magnolia	" 18, '00	E. J. Greene.	E. J. Calkins.	Frank Collins.	C. F. Mickelson.	1 and 3 Tues.
232	Chicago	" 18, '00	C. E. McCutcheon.	Thomas Zeien.	Julius Boswell.	E. A. Fauley.	1 and 3 Mon.
233	Bemidji	" 24, '01	J. L. Reynolds.	G. E. Carson.	Wm. McCuig.	L. A. Ackenback.	1 and 3 Wed.
234	Sandstone	" 24, '01	Albert S. Webb.	James Percy.	John P. Keller.	Wm. Aiken.	1 and 3 Fri.
235	Edgerton	" 24, '01	Arnold Pilling.	Frank E. Douty.	Robert F. Thomas.	Frank F. Burdett.	1 and 3 Fri.
236	Thief Riv. Falls	" 24, '01	C. E. Winslow.	C. A. Fuller.	Dan Shaw.	A. R. Cavanaugh.	1 and 4 Mon.
237	Hopkins	" 24, '01	S. S. Kilvington.	H. M. Peterson.	A. H. Nash.	H. F. G. Haas.	1 and 4 Wed.
238	Equality	" 23, '02	G. A. Dalmann.	S. W. S. Askdal.	P. O. French.	M. E. Drake.	1 and 4 Wed.
239	Eveleth	" 23, '02	A. C. Osborn.	C. W. More.	Robert Powell.	S. E. Helps.	2 and 4 Sat.
240	Astra	" 23, '02	Felton Vollmer.	Ovette L. Day.	John Henceman.	M. E. Chambers.	2 and 4 Sat.
241	Frazee	" 23, '02	Timothy M. Chilton.	Fred C. Clayton.	H. A. McCormack.	George W. Clayton.	2 and 4 Wed.
242	Ruthlon	" 23, '02	Cary Diehl.	George C. Moore.	Richard D. Nelson.	Nels C. Bertelsen.	2 and 4 Wed.
243	Cass Lake	" 23, '02	George M. Stein.	B. A. Strawbridge.	Fredrik W. Smith.	Bertice H. Scott.	1 and 8 Tues.
244	Russell	" 24, '02	Jacob Rouse.	F. S. Purdy.	E. Smith.	C. P. Eastman.	1 and 8 Wed.
245	Wabasso	Feb. 23, '03	W. A. Hauck.	O. T. Newhouse.	D. E. Billington.	W. E. Cleveland.	2 and 4 Tues.
246	Fides	" 25, '03	Enos P. Dotson.	Wm. A. Gleason.	F. W. Stevens.	H. J. Fink.	1 and 8 Fri.
247	Morality	" 25, '03	Lewis M. Lerwick.	E. A. Christensen.	H. B. Danielson.	A. J. Forsell.	1 and 8 Tues.
248	Raymond	" 25, '03	Chas. F. Malm.	Carl Henning.	Chas. E. Fouts.	Geo. C. Hedtke.	2 and 4 Tues.
249	Barlo	" 25, '03	Edwin M. Pool.	Arthur G. Curtis.	Phillip Melcher.	Chas. J. Hardy.	1 and 8 Tues.
250	Lakefield	" 25, '03	Fred'k L. Leonard.	Wm. E. Hankey.	Ernest A. Gage.	Wm. D. Hill.	1 and 8 Tues.
251	McKinley	" 25, '03	Chas. H. Kelson.	B. A. Hanson.	W. A. Hartung.	S. W. Smith.	1 and 8 Tues.
252	Morton	" 25, '03	Wm. H. Andrews.	Albert C. Mathies.	Fred'k Watschide.	Wm. W. McGowan.	1 and 3 Tues.
253	Dexter	" 25, '03	O. J. Dickens.	H. E. Owen.	J. T. Miller.	Robt Eckford.	1 and 3 Tues.
254	Lake Park	" 25, '03	A. S. King.	O. Wangersten.	F. E. Almfeldt.	Axel O. Rasen.	2 and 4 Tues.
255	Mesaba	" 25, '03	D. F. Wadsworth.	Wm. G. Williams.	M. E. Pearce.	John A. Redfern.	2 and 4 Tues.

\* Saturday preceding full moon.  
† Saturday on or before full moon.

‡ Wednesday in week moon fulls.

§ Saturday on or before full moon and two weeks thereafter.

|| Monday of week moon fulls.

St. John's, No. 1, was first chartered by the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin, June 9, 1852. Cataract, No. 2, by the Grand Lodge of Illinois, Oct. 5, 1852, and St. Paul, No. 3, by the Grand Lodge of Ohio, Jan. 24, 1853. These united in forming the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, Feb. 24, 1853.

LODGES LOST OR CHANGED, WITH CAUSE.

No.	Lodge.	Town.	County.	Date of Charter.	Cause of Being Stricken From Roll.
3	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	Ramsey.....	Feb. 24, 1853	Charter surrendered, accepted by Grand Lodge Jan. 9, 1856, and restored to second St. Paul, No. 3, Jan. 18, 1900.
8	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	Ramsey.....	Jan. 10, 1856	Charter surrendered Jan. 18, 1900, and charter of Feb. 24, 1853, accepted in its place.
6	Shakopee.....	Shakopee.....	Scott.....	Jan. 2, 1875	Charter surrendered in October, 1859, and surrendered in 1860.
9	Faribault.....	Faribault.....	Rice.....	Jan. 6, 1857	Charter arrested early in 1849; restored in October, 1864; surrendered June 1, 1865.
16	Faribault.....	St. Paul.....	Ramsey.....	Jan. 6, 1857	Charter surrendered Dec. 27, 1861.
18	Henderson.....	Henderson.....	Sibley.....	Jan. 6, 1857	Charter arrested early in 1859, and surrendered in 1870.
19	St. Cloud.....	St. Cloud.....	Stearns.....	Jan. 6, 1857	Charter arrested in 1859, and surrendered in 1860.
23	McDonald.....	Chatfield.....	Fillmore.....	Oct. 27, 1859	Charter surrendered in 1860.
53	Faribault.....	Faribault.....	Rice.....	Oct. 27, 1859	Charter surrendered in 1860.
68	North Light.....	Fort Garry.....	Manitoba.....	Oct. 25, 1865	Charter No. 9, Jan. 15, 1869, by vote of Grand Lodge.
70	Forest City.....	Forest City.....	Meeker.....	Oct. 25, 1867	U. S. D.: at Pembina in 1873.
74	Minneapolis.....	Minneapolis.....	Wabasha.....	Jan. 12, 1869	Charter surrendered by vote in 1881, and not re-issued.
88	Yallowstone.....	Fort Buford.....	Dakota Ter.....	Jan. 10, 1872	Charter surrendered June 6, 1874; members mostly soldiers.
106	Shiloh.....	Fargo.....	Dakota Ter.....	Jan. 14, 1874	Permission given to transfer to Grand Lodge of North Dakota in January, 1880.
107	Atoutram.....	Dover.....	Omsted.....	Jan. 14, 1874	Charter surrendered in November, 1890.
120	Bismarck.....	Bismarck.....	Dakota Ter.....	Jan. 11, 1876	Charter surrendered to Grand Lodge of North Dakota in December, 1880.
127	Centennial.....	Delano.....	Wright.....	Jan. 10, 1876	Charter arrested in September, 1886, and never restored.
130	Arcturus.....	Red Wing.....	Goodhue.....	Jan. 16, 1878	Consolidated with No. 8, April 21, 1897.
133	Pelican Rapids.....	Pelican Rapids.....	Otter Tail.....	Jan. 16, 1880	Charter forfeited Jan. 10, 1896, and surrendered Sept. 6, 1896.

## APPENDIX C.—ABSTRACT OF LODGE RETURNS FOR 1902.

Number.	Name of Lodge.	Location.	Members Jan. 1, 1902.	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Joined.	Restored.	Total Gain.	Withdrawn.	Stricken from Roll.	Suspended.	Expelled.	Died.	Total Loss.	Members Jan. 1, 1903.	Fees and Dues.		Lodge Dues Unpaid.	Other Lodge Assets.	Lodge Liabilities.
																	For 1902.	Paid Grand Secref y			
1	St. John.	Stillwater.	159	4	4	12	4	1	7	1	1	1	1	6	6	160	\$73.20	\$73.20	\$498	\$3,412	\$400
2	Catawba.	Minneapolis.	336	12	17	13	16	1	92	1	1	1	1	9	14	414	189.80	189.80	120.550	120.550	500
3	St. Paul.	St. Paul.	323	17	17	14	16	1	25	7	1	1	1	9	14	330	174.40	174.40	6,227	6,227	917
4	Hennepin.	Minneapolis.	386	17	17	14	16	1	24	6	1	1	1	6	12	392	196.60	196.60	48,546	48,546	917
5	Anet's Landmark.	St. Paul.	472	17	15	15	15	1	24	6	1	1	1	12	20	467	224.20	224.20	22,784	22,784	917
6	Dakota.	Hastings.	108	4	4	2	2	1	11	6	2	1	1	7	7	101	56.40	56.40	88	2,279	7,500
7	Red Wing.	Red Wing.	136	4	4	2	2	1	11	6	2	1	1	7	7	101	56.40	56.40	130	113,844	7,500
8	Faribault.	Faribault.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
9	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
10	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
11	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
12	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
13	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
14	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
15	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
16	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
17	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
18	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
19	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
20	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
21	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
22	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
23	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
24	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
25	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
26	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
27	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
28	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
29	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
30	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
31	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
32	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
33	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
34	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
35	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
36	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
37	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
38	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
39	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
40	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
41	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400
42	Manorville.	Manorville.	156	6	4	4	4	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	153	74.60	74.60	137	14,723	400

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Number.	Name of Lodge.	Location.	Members Jan. 1, 1902.	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Joined.	Restored.	Total Gain.	Withdrawn.	Stricken from Roll.	Expelled.	Died.	Total Loss.	Members Jan. 1, 1903.	Fees and Dues.		Lodge Dues Unpaid.	Other Lodge Assets.	Lodge Liabilities.
																For 1902.	Paid Grand Secretary			
43	Harmony.....	Lewiston.....	34	3	3	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	35	\$19.60	\$19.60	\$48	\$925	\$ 45
44	King Solomon.....	Shakopee.....	63	4	4	2	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	66	37.40	37.40	100	500	75
45	Union.....	Le Sueur.....	64	3	4	2	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	66	31.40	31.40	102	2,053	867
46	Evergreen.....	Olyde.....	37	1	4	2	2	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	40	19.40	19.40	68	806	.....
47	Concord.....	Cleveland.....	33	1	4	4	4	1	19	1	1	1	1	1	34	24.00	24.00	38	436	.....
48	social.....	Northfield.....	121	17	3	12	3	1	19	1	1	1	2	2	138	93.60	93.60	294	1,550	.....
49	Rising Sun.....	St. Charles.....	126	3	3	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	124	56.40	56.40	66	12,751	524
50	Watertown.....	Watertown.....	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	33	12.80	12.80	284	1,157	100
51	Acacia.....	Cott'ge Grove.....	34	6	4	2	9	.....	9	1	1	1	.....	.....	32	12.80	12.80	50	1,325	.....
52	Cannon River.....	Morristown.....	35	7	2	9	.....	1	9	4	4	4	4	.....	44	36.00	36.00	40	12,046	625
53	Nicollet.....	St. Peter.....	101	4	9	2	.....	.....	9	2	2	2	.....	.....	46	45.20	45.20	150	400	60
54	Zion.....	Taylor's Falls.....	37	3	3	4	2	2	8	1	1	1	1	1	27	10.80	10.80	100	600	.....
55	Meridian.....	Chatfield.....	153	12	12	12	.....	.....	14	1	1	1	1	1	164	72.40	72.40	130	14,475	.....
56	Blue Earth City.....	Blue Earth.....	101	9	8	12	1	1	13	1	1	1	1	1	101	71.40	71.40	181	1,696	.....
57	Spring Valley.....	Spring Valley.....	98	10	11	11	1	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	120	64.20	64.20	284	500	100
58	Temple.....	Hutchinson.....	116	8	8	10	1	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	79	69.60	69.60	437	1,313	.....
59	Star in the West.....	Sauk Centre.....	69	1	3	3	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	73	38.00	38.00	80	11,650	.....
60	Ashler.....	Eyota.....	69	4	4	4	1	.....	4	1	1	1	1	1	53	39.20	39.20	153	11,475	130
61	Star.....	Rockford.....	49	6	5	4	1	.....	4	1	1	1	1	1	53	34.60	34.60	80	12,319	.....
62	Illustrious.....	Plainview.....	64	5	6	5	1	1	11	3	3	3	3	3	143	39.20	39.20	236	20,574	8,367
63	Chain Lake.....	Farmington.....	136	6	7	8	1	.....	11	3	3	3	3	3	19	73.80	73.80	286	150	.....
64	Golden Rule.....	Lakeland.....	19	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	5	1	1	1	1	19	9.60	9.60	105	636	.....
65	Madelia.....	Madelia.....	57	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	1	1	1	59	20.00	20.00	59	804	125
66	Corinthian.....	Farmington.....	39	3	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	40	20.80	20.80	71	804	.....
67	Mystic Star.....	Rushford.....	54	6	3	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	54	33.60	33.60	64	144	.....
68	Paynesville.....	N. P. ynesville.....	59	7	5	5	2	.....	5	1	1	1	1	1	63	39.40	39.40	58	600	.....
71	Lansing.....	Lansing.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	2	2	2	2	33	13.20	13.20	50	1900	6
72	Brownsville.....	Brownsville.....	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	3	3	3	3	16	6.40	6.40	176	162	.....
73	Eureka.....	Le Roy.....	84	6	1	5	1	.....	9	5	5	5	5	5	85	48.00	48.00	105	11,921	.....
74	Joppa.....	G'd Thunder.....	36	1	2	2	1	.....	2	1	1	1	1	1	35	16.60	16.60	50	600	.....
76	Mystic Circle.....	Waseca.....	92	2	2	2	1	.....	2	1	1	1	1	1	93	42.40	42.40	200	1,200	.....
77	Palestine.....	Duluth.....	43	36	33	34	2	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	46	22.80	22.80	104	1,957	135
78	Henderson.....	Henderson.....	405	86	83	84	3	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	487	281.00	281.00	775	10,622	.....
80	Constellation.....	Alexandria.....	50	2	2	2	2	.....	2	1	1	1	1	1	46	19.60	19.60	130	2,804	.....
81	Howard.....	Howard Lake.....	64	3	3	3	2	1	5	2	2	2	2	2	57	26.80	26.80	134	950	.....
82	Hiram Abi.....	Kasson.....	63	3	3	3	2	1	5	2	2	2	2	2	61	33.00	33.00	61	12,541	900
83	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	2	2	2	2	2	59	27.40	27.40	50	636	.....



84	16	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	7.00	5.00	40
Money Creek	High Forest	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	38
Thyan	Wells	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	40
Golden Fleece	Litchfield	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	125
Good Faith	Jackson	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	38
Anquity	Redw'd Falls	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	200
Praternal	Princeton	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	87
Unity	Sauk Rapids	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	108
Keystone	Deeply River	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	162
Sherburne	Eur Niver	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	385
Jabans	St. James	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	150
Prudence	Windom	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	130
Charity	New Uim	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	225
Corrier Stone	Fergus Falls	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	42
Fraternity	Brainerd	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	200
Aurora	Worthington	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	500
Lebanon	Lake Crystal	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	2159
Bethel	Lanesboro	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	816
Sharon	Willmar	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	198
Mt. Tabor	Detroit	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	256
Relief	Dodge Center	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	276
Sunset	Montevideo	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	326
Pickwick	Pickwick	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	1774
Carver	Excelsior	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	890
Khurrun	Luverne	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	92
Excelsior	Elgin	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	338
Ben Franklin	Brownsdale	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	64
Latayette	Granite Falls	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	587
Granite	Newport	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	9235
Newport	Marshall	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	548
Delta	G-d Meadow	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	70
G-and Meadow	Kellogg	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	183
Prairie	Blo'g Prairie	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	425
Janesville	Janesville	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	546
Winslow Lewis	Osseo	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	160
Moorhead	Moorhead	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	3220
Mapleton	Mapleton	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	2260
Josephus	Benson	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	79
Swift	Lyle	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	250
Alma	Y-g America	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	250
Humboldt	Morris	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	30
Golden Sheaf	Cokato	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	125
Cokato	Buffalo	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	36
Nelson	Walnut	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	16
Walnut	Walnut	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	32
Appleton	Appleton	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	88
Appleton	Appleton	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	167
Orion	Orion	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	58
Orion	Orion	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	58
Orion	Orion	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	2981
Orion	Orion	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	30
Orion	Orion	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	265
Orion	Orion	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	2981
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Orion	Orion	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	25.40	23.40	2981

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139	Verndale.	Verndale.	33	9	4	2	...	2	4	1	3	...	...	...	2	35	\$23.40	\$23.40	\$211	\$020	...
140	Little Falls.	Little Falls.	87	15	18	17	6	1	24	4	1	3	...	2	4	91	55.20	55.20	132	729	\$4,010
141	Crookston.	Crookston.	154	16	2	1	2	1	1	4	1	6	...	...	8	170	108.40	108.40	200	18,550	...
142	Currie.	Currie.	26	6	2	1	2	2	4	4	1	...	1	...	7	23	12.60	12.60	90	235	...
143	Lakeview.	Ortonville.	63	1	2	1	1	...	4	1	1	...	...	...	4	63	33.60	33.60	208	600	300
144	Bird Island.	Bird Island.	32	1	1	1	...	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	1	32	15.80	15.80	58	118	...
145	Melrose.	Melrose.	32	1	1	1	...	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	1	31	15.20	14.80	200	318	...
146	Benton.	Benton.	59	2	5	...	...	...	8	4	1	7	...	2	14	45	20.00	20.00	528	721	...
147	Canby.	Canby.	55	3	5	...	...	1	8	5	...	...	...	...	4	45	37.80	37.80	812	765	...
148	Pipestone.	Pipestone.	67	3	2	1	2	...	1	3	...	...	...	1	4	59	30.00	30.00	210	615	350
149	Warren.	Warren.	31	1	2	1	...	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	3	30	15.20	15.20	181	552	...
150	Chaska.	Chaska.	26	6	2	1	...	2	5	2	...	...	...	...	...	57	34.00	34.00	281	1,014	200
151	Frontier.	Chaska.	55	5	9	5	...	1	5	1	...	...	...	...	...	31	25.40	25.40	65	254	1,800
152	Kodahya.	Breckenridge.	45	12	1	1	1	...	9	1	...	...	...	2	2	52	25.60	25.60	100	629	...
153	Norman.	Brown's Valley.	40	5	3	4	...	...	4	2	...	...	...	1	3	41	26.80	26.80	80	581	...
154	Tracy.	Tracy.	73	5	3	2	...	1	4	3	...	...	...	...	8	69	36.00	36.00	190	795	20
155	Wadena.	Wadena.	63	5	5	1	...	1	9	4	...	...	...	...	5	67	35.20	35.20	115	1,281	...
156	Perham.	Perham.	52	1	1	1	...	1	2	1	...	...	...	...	1	53	23.40	23.40	71	549	...
157	Hector.	Hector.	42	10	9	3	...	...	5	3	...	...	...	...	3	48	42.60	42.60	64	310	74
158	Long Prairie.	Long Prairie.	56	3	3	4	...	1	5	2	...	...	...	...	6	59	31.60	29.60	150	500	220
159	Plymouth.	Minneapolis.	202	9	8	7	...	3	13	5	...	...	...	...	6	209	106.40	106.40	504	3,355	...
160	Sincerty.	Villard.	32	9	8	3	...	...	10	4	...	...	...	...	2	40	36.40	36.40	59	1,982	...
161	Prescott.	Herman.	49	6	3	3	...	1	5	5	...	...	...	...	5	48	29.60	29.60	112	346	...
162	Summit.	St. Paul.	289	17	17	17	...	...	23	8	...	...	...	...	3	309	165.40	165.40	300	16,485	9,250
163	Jasper.	Rush City.	64	1	6	3	...	1	5	2	...	...	...	...	2	66	28.80	28.80	230	12,300	535
164	Minnehaha.	Minneapolis.	122	6	10	10	...	...	5	3	...	...	...	...	3	124	62.60	62.60	251	19,100	7,400
165	Garnet.	White Bear.	57	6	10	11	...	1	18	1	...	...	...	...	1	64	48.40	48.40	220	792	...
166	Agate.	Campbell.	46	13	12	11	...	1	13	3	...	...	...	...	1	56	53.20	53.20	600	1,800	200
167	Braden.	St. Paul.	135	14	14	15	...	4	19	6	...	...	...	...	5	149	95.00	95.00	161	2,250	...
168	Pierson.	Barnesville.	77	6	5	5	...	1	10	3	...	...	...	...	1	38	42.80	42.80	90	1,575	10
169	Fulda.	Fulda.	34	2	2	2	...	5	8	2	...	...	...	...	6	105	19.00	19.00	125	918	...
170	Shekinah.	St. Paul.	102	6	7	7	...	1	10	3	...	...	...	...	1	46	58.80	58.80	44	409	...
171	Marietta.	Marietta.	47	3	4	4	...	...	4	3	...	...	...	...	2	20	22.20	22.20	113	563	...
172	Plumb Line.	Kimball.	15	3	3	1	...	2	4	1	...	...	...	...	1	46	22.00	22.00	111	587	...
173	Valley.	Glenwood.	49	2	2	1	...	4	6	3	...	...	...	...	2	38	16.00	16.00	118	433	140
174	Roman Eagle.	Adrian.	37	...	...	...	...	...	6	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...

Ark.....	176	18	14	13	11	24	3	2		5	10	315	161	40	161	40	250
Minneapolis.....	301	18	14	13	11	24	3	2		5	10	315	161	40	161	40	250
Belle Plaine.....	222	4	5	2	2	8	1	1		1	1	23	14	14	14	14	14
Royalton.....	44	4	5	2	2	8	1	1		1	1	23	14	14	14	14	14
Elmore.....	39	6	7	8			2					43	35	30	35	30	181
Osakis.....	39	1					3					35	35	30	35	30	51
Dallas.....	84	14	14	12	2	1	3			1	2	319	72	60	72	60	319
Fair Haven.....	181						3				2	386	15	20	15	20	109
Annandale.....	35	2					3				2	67	46	30	46	30	159
Park Rapids.....	54	3	10	9	1		3				2	72	36	60	36	60	200
St. Paul.....	169	25	20	20	11	2	4			2	303	143	40	24	40	24	386
Duluth.....	45	4	2	4	4		6			1	100	48	80	48	80	48	243
Minneapolis.....	62	9	10	9	2		8				73	52	80	52	80	52	192
Two Harbors.....	88	3	3	3	4		11				100	32	80	32	80	32	245
Traverse.....	93	9	3	3	6		4			1	100	58	80	58	80	58	333
St. Paul.....	45	4	5	4			2				1	45	30	20	30	20	43
South St. P'l.....	26	1	2	3	1		3			3	24	18	30	18	30	18	177
Belgrade.....	33	1	2	3	1		4			3	56	30	18	30	18	30	68
Amboy.....	74	5	6	7	1		5			2	77	30	40	30	40	30	170
Canton.....	50	6	6	7	1		4			2	53	30	40	30	40	30	151
Renville.....	44	10	11	13	1		2			4	66	62	80	62	80	62	195
Madison.....	82	4	4	5	3		8			1	89	35	20	35	20	35	157
Tower.....	75	10	9	8	1		9			16	93	13	80	13	80	13	231
West Duluth.....	31	1	2	1	1		2			2	31	40	60	40	60	40	41
Slayton.....	61	2	3	3	1		3			2	37	42	60	42	60	42	130
Springfield.....	27	1	1	1	1		2			2	37	42	60	42	60	42	130
Kenyon.....	36	2	2	2	2		3			2	34	15	40	15	40	15	80
Stewartville.....	23	2	3	3	3		3			2	34	15	40	15	40	15	80
Jasper.....	26	2	1	1	1		2			2	33	16	40	16	40	16	73
Wayzata.....	78	1	1	2	1		1			1	33	16	40	16	40	16	73
Fosston.....	45	1	2	2	1		6			1	33	16	40	16	40	16	73
Grand Rapids.....	22	1	1	1	1		5			1	33	16	40	16	40	16	73
Sibley.....	22	1	1	1	1		5			1	33	16	40	16	40	16	73
Columbian.....	38	3	3	3	3		4			1	33	16	40	16	40	16	73
Friendship.....	41	7	5	4	2		3			1	33	16	40	16	40	16	73
Hallock.....	54	1	1	1	2		7			1	33	16	40	16	40	16	73
Aitkin.....	54	1	1	1	2		7			1	33	16	40	16	40	16	73
Mystic.....	18	3	4				1			1	33	16	40	16	40	16	73
Evansville.....	38	4					6			1	33	16	40	16	40	16	73
Argyle.....	215	4	9	10	1		11			1	33	16	40	16	40	16	73
Florence.....	64	3	7	9	1		11			1	33	16	40	16	40	16	73
Capital City.....	217	6	1	2	1		2			2	33	16	40	16	40	16	73
Griswold.....	58	1	5	6	1		7			1	33	16	40	16	40	16	73
Hancock.....	28	4	4	4	1		3			1	33	16	40	16	40	16	73
Olivia.....	34	1	4	4	4		4			2	33	16	40	16	40	16	73
Cottonwood.....	20	4	4	4	4		4			2	33	16	40	16	40	16	73
Equity.....	24	5	3	3	2		2			1	33	16	40	16	40	16	73
Elysian.....	37	4	3	3	1		4			1	33	16	40	16	40	16	73
Mora.....	189	35	31	33	1		44			7	236	171	80	21	80	21	400
Minnesota.....	33	3	8	33	1		44			7	236	171	80	21	80	21	400
Lamberton.....	19	35	31	33	1		44			7	236	171	80	21	80	21	400
Justice.....	25	35	31	33	1		44			7	236	171	80	21	80	21	400

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226	Lincoln	Milaca	41	1	6	1	3		9				1	1	46	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$80	\$387	
227	Park Region	Elbow Lake	34	1	6	1	3		9						41	28.60	28.60	12	219	
228	Vernon Center	Vernon C'ter	27	4	2	5	1		1						32	17.80	17.80	12	553	\$400
229	Stewart	Stewart	20	4	2	6	1		1						27	23.00	23.00	27	207	
230	Alpha	Hendrum	14	3	1	4	1		1						14	10.20	10.20	16	151	
231	Magnolia	Sherburn	32	9	6	6	2		6				1	1	37	38.40	38.40		213	
232	Chisago	North Br'ch.	32	9	6	6	2		6						39	39.80	39.80	5	575	225
233	Bemidji	Bemidji	27	9	13	20	4		24				1	2	49	52.00	52.00	74	550	350
234	Sandstone	Sandstone	28	8	2	6	1		4						30	17.20	17.20	38	413	100
235	Edgerton	Edgerton	10	2	9	12	1		2						14	11.00	11.00	96		
236	Northern	Thief Riv.F's	27	9	9	9	1		15				1	3	39	39.60	39.60	90	552	
237	Albert Pike	Hopkins	73	31	28	28	2		30					1	102	115.80	115.80	39	584	785
238	Equality	Minnesota	8	2	5	3	10		13						19	16.40	16.40	8	228	185
239	Eveleth	Eveleth	10	15	13	15	24		39				1	2	47	55.00	55.00		766	
240	Astra	Lester Praire	5	2	3	3	8		17						22	15.60	15.60		150	75
241	Frazee	Frazee	19	11	11	11	11		22					2	41	44.00	44.00	3	442	
242	Ruthlon	Ruthlon	14	6	6	6	9		15						27	38.00	38.00	15	234	180
243	Cass	Cass Lake	17	8	7	7	18		23					1	29	29.60	29.60	15	406	150
244	Coteau	Russell	11	7	7	7	12		19						23	27.40	27.40	18	176	121
245	Wabasso	Wabasso	12	10	8	8	8		10						8	36.00	36.00		483	200
246	Fides	Sanborn	12	10	10	10	10		10						10	32.00	32.00		201	
247	Morality	Hendricks	13	7	6	6	6		10						13	21.00	21.00		145	30
248	Raymond	Raymond	18	13	13	13	13		13						16	39.00	39.00		122	
249	Baro	Echo	5	5	4	4	4		4						4	14.00	14.00		391	350
250	Lakefield	Lakefield	12	12	12	11	11		12						12	36.00	36.00		650	
251	McKinley	Tyler	13	12	11	11	11		11						11	36.00	36.00			
252	Morton	Morton	14	12	11	11	11		11						11	37.00	37.00		240	
253	Dexter	Dexter	5	5	4	3	3		3						3	12.00	12.00		250	
254	Lake Park	Lake Park	23	23	23				23						23	69.00	69.00		743	400
255	Mesaba	Hibbing		5												5.00	5.00			
			17,535	1,435	1,350	1,386	476	84	1,946	517	190	2	226	939	18,542	10,882.80	10,860.60			

\*No report. †Owns building or an interest in same.

## APPENDIX D.

## PAY ROLL, 1903.

GRAND OFFICERS.	Mileage.	Per Diem.	Total Paid.	To Whom Paid.
A. D. Countryman, G. Master....	\$6.20	\$6.00	\$12.20	A. D. Countryman.
Henry R. Adams, D. G. Master....	.20	6.00	6.20	H. R. Adams.
Wm. A. McGonagle, S. G. W....	5.70	6.00	11.70	Wm. A. McGonagle.
Enoch Stott, J. G. W....	4.05	6.00	10.05	Enoch Stott.
D. W. Knowlton, G. Treas....	.20	6.00	6.20	David W. Knowlton.
T. Montgomery, G. Sec....	.....	6.00	6.00	Thos. Montgomery.
W. C. Masterman, G. O....	.60	6.00	6.60	W. C. Masterman.
H. A. Chouinard, G. Chap....	2.75	6.00	8.75	H. A. Chouinard.
H. M. Tusler, S. G. D....	.....	6.00	6.00	H. M. Tusler.
J. D. Carroll, J. G. D....	.80	6.00	6.80	J. D. Carroll.
Tom Morris, G. Marsh....	11.70	6.00	17.70	Tom Morris.
H. W. Hendrickson, G. St. B....	5.75	6.00	11.75	H. W. Hendrickson.
Gustaf Widell, G. Sw. B....	3.20	6.00	9.20	Gustaf Widell.
C. L. Sawyer, S. G. St....	.20	6.00	6.20	C. L. Sawyer.
J. H. Anderson, J. G. St....	3.70	6.00	9.70	J. H. Anderson.
E. C. Baird, G. Purs....	7.35	6.00	13.35	E. C. Baird.
PERMANENT MEMBERS.				
Chas. W. Nash, P. G. M....	.20	6.00	6.20	C. W. Nash.
Chas. Griswold, P. G. M....	.20	6.00	6.20	Charles Griswold.
E. W. Durant, P. G. M....	.60	6.00	6.60	E. W. Durant.
Henry R. Wells, P. G. M....	6.00	6.00	12.00	Henry R. Wells.
Henry R. Denny, P. G. M....	.....	6.00	6.00	Henry R. Denny.
C. L. Brown, P. G. M....	6.30	6.00	12.30	C. L. Brown.
A. T. Stebbins, P. G. M....	3.70	6.00	9.70	A. T. Stebbins.
A. Brandenburg, P. G. M....	7.50	6.00	13.50	A. Brandenburg.
G. S. Ives, P. G. M....	.....	6.00	6.00	G. S. Ives.
Geo. H. Davis, P. D. G. M....	3.20	6.00	9.20	Geo. H. Davis.
Chas. L. West, P. D. G. M....	3.95	6.00	9.95	Chas. L. West.
T. J. Lombard, P. S. G. W....	1.35	6.00	7.35	T. J. Lombard.
S. E. Adams, P. S. G. W....	.20	6.00	6.20	S. E. Adams.
Edgar Nash, P. S. G. W....	.20	6.00	6.20	Edgar Nash.
A. Marden, P. J. G. W....	3.55	6.00	9.55	A. Marden.
H. C. Shepard, P. J. G. W....	.....	6.00	6.00	H. C. Shepard.
W. B. Patton, P. J. G. W....	5.70	6.00	11.70	W. B. Patton.
J. D. Markham, P. J. G. W....	2.15	6.00	8.15	J. D. Markham.
COMMITTEE ON RETURNS.				
O. C. Hanson....	6.30	9.00	15.30	O. C. Hanson.
J. T. Johnson....	7.50	9.00	16.50	J. T. Johnson.
.....	.....	.....	\$32.50	.....

## PAY ROLL, 1903—Continued.

No.	NAME OF LODGE.	Mileage.	Per Diem.	Total Paid.	To Whom Paid.
1	St. Johns.....	\$0.60	\$6.00	\$6.60	Roy G. Staples.
2	Catacraft.....	.20	6.00	6.20	J. S. Todd.
3	St. Paul.....	.....	6.00	6.00	Geo. R. Metcalf.
4	Hennepin.....	.20	6.00	6.20	W. P. Roberts.
5	Ancient Landmark.....	.....	6.00	6.00	Israel B. B. Sprague.
7	Dakota.....	.80	6.00	6.80	A. E. Johnson.
8	Red Wing.....	1.65	6.00	7.65	E. H. Foote.
9	Faribault.....	2.10	6.00	8.10	Walter Birch.
11	Mantorville.....	2.95	6.00	8.95	J. E. Whitney.



## PAY ROLL, 1903—Continued.

No.	NAME OF LODGE.	Mileage.	Per Diem.	Total Paid.	To Whom Paid.
12	Mankato.....	\$3.20	\$6.00	\$9.20	A. O. Eberhart.
14	Wapahasa.....	2.80	6.00	8.80	M. W. Dady.
16	Monticello.....	1.90	6.00	7.90	F. H. Chilson.
17	Hokah.....	5.30	6.00	11.30	J. M. Moore.
18	Winona.....	4.05	3.00	7.05	W. H. Laird.
19	Minneapolis.....	.20	6.00	6.20	C. F. Smith.
20	Caledonia.....	6.30	6.00	12.30	Chas. Scofield.
22	Pleasant Grove.....	8.00	6.00	14.00	W. M. Smith.
23	North Star.....	3.00	6.00	9.00	W. H. Thompson.
24	Wilton.....	3.40	6.00	9.40	Wm. Schreiber.
26	Western Star.....	4.85	6.00	10.85	W. W. Parker.
27	Blue Earth Valley.....	4.70	6.00	10.70	A. L. Daly.
28	Clear Water.....	2.50	6.00	8.50	G. E. Ring.
29	Morning Star.....	5.05	6.00	11.05	J. Robillard.
30	Anoka.....	1.15	6.00	7.15	Frank Hart.
31	King Hiram.....	1.30	6.00	7.30	Geo. O. Orr.
32	Sakatah.....	2.60	6.00	8.60	B. L. Blair.
33	Star in the East.....	2.75	6.00	8.75	C. J. Balch.
34	Oriental.....	1.60	6.00	7.60	N. M. Munson.
35	Mount Moriah.....	.80	6.00	6.80	A. W. Hayes.
36	Preston.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	A. B. Smith.
37	Mystic Tie.....	3.00	6.00	9.00	W. W. Jewell.
38	Washington.....	2.55	6.00	8.55	H. W. Severance.
39	Fidelity.....	3.70	6.00	9.70	J. H. Robertson.
40	Carnelian.....	2.35	6.00	8.35	R. A. W. McLeod.
41	Hermion.....	2.70	6.00	8.70	F. W. Fulkerson.
42	Hope.....	2.50	6.00	8.50	W. L. Tift.
44	King Solomon.....	1.15	6.00	7.15	C. G. Hinds.
45	Union.....	2.30	6.00	8.30	H. F. Weiss.
46	Evergreen.....	5.00	6.00	11.00	R. J. Walker.
47	Concord.....	2.75	6.00	8.75	Geo. Davis.
48	Social.....	1.55	6.00	7.55	W. F. Manhart.
49	Rising Sun.....	4.40	6.00	10.40	A. F. Kenbler.
50	Watertown.....	3.05	6.00	9.05	M. L. Malsed.
51	Acacia.....	.30	6.00	6.30	I. T. Morey.
52	Cannon River.....	2.70	6.00	8.70	W. L. Eddy.
54	Nicollet.....	2.75	6.00	8.75	Jas. Bennett.
56	Meridian.....	4.75	6.00	10.75	E. W. Rossman.
57	Blue Earth City.....	5.10	6.00	11.10	M. M. Freer.
58	Spring Valley.....	5.10	6.00	11.10	G. M. Warren.
59	Temple.....	2.80	6.00	8.80	Carlos Avery.
60	Star in the West.....	4.90	6.00	10.90	M. L. Webb.
61	Ashler.....	4.20	6.00	10.20	C. J. Seymour.
62	Star.....	2.10	6.00	8.10	O. W. Crawford.
63	Illustrious.....	4.80	6.00	10.80	F. L. Gilbert.
64	Chain Lake.....	5.65	6.00	11.65	E. N. Chute.
65	Golden Rule.....	1.00	6.00	7.00	C. V. Holmstrom.
67	Corinthian.....	1.10	6.00	7.10	O. S. Lindberg.
69	Mystic Star.....	5.50	6.00	11.50	John McLeod.
71	Paynesville.....	3.75	6.00	9.75	H. A. Wells.
72	Lansing.....	3.80	6.00	9.80	H. Lyons.
75	Eureka.....	4.55	6.00	10.55	F. E. Garner.
76	Joppa.....	4.00	6.00	10.00	John R. Anderson.
77	Tuscan.....	3.10	6.00	9.10	O. J. Lawson.
78	Mystic Circle.....	5.50	6.00	11.50	W. W. Parish.
79	Palestine.....	5.70	6.00	11.70	H. G. Gearhart.
80	Henderson.....	2.05	6.00	8.05	A. L. Poehler.
81	Constellation.....	5.65	6.00	11.65	W. F. Cowing.
82	Howard.....	1.90	6.00	7.90	T. M. Wooley.
83	Huram Abi.....	8.15	6.00	9.15	J. J. McCaughey.
84	Orient.....	5.45	6.00	7.00	D. W. Robinson.
85	High Forest.....	5.10	6.00	11.10	M. E. Fellows.
86	Tyrian.....	2.70	6.00	8.70	L. L. Mathews.
87	Doric.....	4.70	6.00	10.70	R. F. Drake.
89	Golden Fleece.....	3.10	6.00	9.10	H. M. Angier.
90	Good Faith.....	6.30	6.00	12.30	W. W. Wold.
91	Antiquity.....	4.30	6.00	10.30	W. R. Caswell.
92	Fraternal.....	2.40	6.00	8.40	B. D. Grant.
94	Keystone.....	4.15	6.00	10.15	Thos. J. Murfin.

## PAY ROLL, 1903—Continued.

No.	NAME OF LODGE.	Mileage.	Per Diem.	Total Paid.	To Whom Paid.
95	Sherburne.....	\$1.65	\$6.00	\$7.65	F. D. Waterman..
96	Libanus.....	4.60	6.00	10.60	S. B. Weiser.
97	Prudence.....	5.70	6.00	11.70	E. A. Sims.
98	Charity.....	3.55	6.00	9.55	N. Henningson.
99	Corner Stone.....	7.50	6.00	13.50	J. A. Vandyke.
100	Aurora.....	4.10	6.00	10.10	Judd Wright.
101	Fraternity.....	6.90	6.00	12.90	H. Hawley.
103	Bethel.....	3.70	6.00	9.70	Thos. H. Jones.
104	Sharon.....	4.10	6.00	10.10	H. J. Ramsett.
106	Mt. Tabor.....	8.15	6.00	14.15	L. C. Weeks.
108	Relief.....	2.90	6.00	8.90	O. H. Phillips.
109	Sunset.....	5.75	6.00	11.75	Wm. Dunbrack.
110	Pickwick.....	4.30	6.00	10.30	W. H. Harrington.
111	Carver.....	1.10	6.00	7.10	Jacob Bristle.
112	Khurum.....	.20	6.00	6.20	Geo. W. Stiles.
113	Excelsior.....	1.15	6.00	7.15	K. L. Davidson.
114	Ben Franklin.....	8.20	6.00	14.20	L. L. Bryau.
115	Elgin.....	4.30	6.00	10.30	John W. Bryant.
116	Lafayette.....	4.10	6.00	10.10	T. F. Bacon.
118	Newport.....	.50	6.00	6.50	J. M. Trickey.
119	Delta.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	J. W. Humphrey.
121	Grand Meadow.....	5.10	6.00	11.10	Geo. A. Correll.
122	Kellogg.....	5.05	6.00	9.05	W. H. Graner.
123	Prairie.....	5.40	6.00	9.40	G. E. Johnson.
124	Janesville.....	5.35	6.00	9.35	R. R. Brown.
125	Winslow Lewis.....	.95	6.00	6.95	D. W. Norris.
126	Moorhead.....	9.70	6.00	15.70	J. P. Wolff.
128	Josephus.....	4.05	6.00	10.05	J. T. Starkey.
129	Swift.....	5.30	6.00	11.30	M. Romstead.
131	Alma.....	4.40	6.00	10.40	A. B. Anderson.
132	Humboldt.....	2.00	6.00	8.00	H. C. Ackerman.
133	Golden Sheaf.....	6.30	6.00	12.30	F. B. Desch.
134	Cokato.....	2.35	6.00	8.30	N. J. Hendrickson.
135	Nelson.....	2.20	6.00	8.20	W. W. Thompson..
136	Walnut.....	5.75	6.00	11.75	F. W. Damp.
137	Appleton.....	6.20	6.00	12.20	Geo. M. Dow.
138	Orion.....	3.60	6.00	9.60	L. E. Covell.
139	Verndale.....	7.10	6.00	13.10	Conrad Ditmore.
140	Little Falls.....	4.30	6.00	10.30	H. W. Harding.
141	Crookston.....	11.70	6.00	17.70	Jas. Smith.
142	Currie.....	7.00	6.00	13.00	C. N. Smith.
143	Lakeview.....	7.10	6.00	13.10	H. L. Zweiner.
144	Bird Island.....	3.20	6.00	9.20	H. H. Gokey.
146	Benton.....	7.40	6.00	13.40	C. W. Stites.
147	Canby.....	7.20	6.00	13.20	J. P. Lester.
148	Quarry.....	7.70	6.00	13.70	C. H. Smith.
149	Guardian.....	2.35	6.00	8.35	Jas. Bohn.
150	Warren.....	12.90	6.00	18.90	W. J. Brown.
151	Chaska.....	1.10	6.00	7.10	W. C. Odell.
152	Frontier.....	8.30	6.00	14.30	W. M. James.
153	Kodahya.....	8.15	6.00	14.15	L. C. Bigelow.
154	Norman.....	10.00	6.00	16.00	A. C. Garber.
155	Tracy.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	Morris Workman.
156	Wadena.....	6.65	6.00	12.65	Geo. M. Stowe.
157	Perham.....	7.30	6.00	13.30	L. E. Davison.
158	Hector.....	3.50	6.00	9.50	E. G. Hagquist.
159	Long Prairie.....	5.45	6.00	11.45	F. R. Harrison.
160	Plymouth.....	.20	6.00	6.20	J. W. Howell.
161	Sincerity.....	5.55	6.00	11.55	Dana Hoyt.
162	Prescott.....	6.95	6.00	12.95	A. W. Wells.
163	Summit.....	.....	6.00	6.00	R. B. Ware.
164	Jasper.....	2.15	6.00	8.15	C. M. Johnson.
165	Minnehaha.....	.20	6.00	6.20	W. G. Stranahan..
166	Garnet.....	.50	6.00	6.50	E. L. Fales.
167	Agate.....	7.70	6.00	13.70	W. D. Cross.
168	Braden.....	.....	6.00	6.00	C. H. Kemper.
169	Pierson.....	8.75	6.00	14.75	Robt. Strahan.
170	Fulda.....	7.20	6.00	13.20	A. A. Snider.
171	Shekinah.....	.....	6.00	6.00	M. E. Goss.

## PAY ROLL, 1903—Continued.

No.	NAME OF LODGE.	Mileage.	Per Diem.	Total Paid.	To Whom Paid.
172	Marietta.....	\$7.25	\$6.00	\$13.25	H. M. Griffin.
173	Plumb Line.....	2.80	6.00	8.80	Walter Dixon.
174	Valley.....	5.20	6.00	11.20	W. A. Simonton.
175	Roman Eagle.....	7.00	6.00	13.00	Clarence Swanman.
176	Ark.....	.20	6.00	6.20	F. B. Messer.
177	Rough Ashlar.....	1.85	6.00	7.85	J. N. Schram.
178	Anchor.....	3.85	6.00	9.85	E. A. Boutwell.
179	King David.....	5.45	6.00	11.45	A. C. Jacobs.
180	Osakis.....	5.25	6.00	11.25	G. R. Babbitt.
181	Dalles.....	5.55	6.00	11.55	O. S. Parker.
182	Fair Haven.....	2.50	6.00	8.50	H. K. Kelly.
184	Shell.....	7.95	6.00	13.95	A. M. Pilson.
185	Midway.....	.....	6.00	6.00	J. W. North.
186	Ionic.....	5.70	6.00	11.70	H. A. Hall.
187	Arcana.....	.20	6.00	6.20	E. W. Gray.
188	Fortitude.....	7.00	6.00	13.00	L. H. Bryan.
189	Traverse.....	8.20	6.00	14.20	J. B. Bruns.
190	Triune.....	.....	6.00	6.00	F. E. Thayer.
191	Mizpah.....	.20	6.00	6.20	E. H. Sloan.
192	Crow River.....	3.95	6.00	9.95	C. M. Iverslie.
194	Canton.....	7.40	6.00	13.40	Jacob Larson.
195	Renville.....	4.60	6.00	10.60	J. K. Butters.
196	Geneva.....	7.30	6.00	13.30	H. F. Houck.
197	Vermillion.....	10.10	6.00	16.10	Chas. C. Oppel.
198	Euclid.....	5.70	6.00	11.70	M. M. Clark.
199	Murray.....	7.20	6.00	13.20	R. B. Forrest.
200	Zenith.....	4.70	6.00	10.70	E. Altermatt.
201	Kenyon.....	2.15	6.00	8.15	M. H. Silvermale.
203	Stewartville.....	4.05	6.00	10.05	C. E. Fawcett.
204	St. Elmo.....	8.10	6.00	14.10	E. Burg.
205	Wayzata.....	.95	6.00	6.95	W. S. Frear.
206	Fosston.....	12.30	6.00	18.30	B. S. Bennett.
207	Crescent.....	5.50	6.00	11.50	D. E. Tull.
208	Itasca.....	8.35	6.00	14.35	J. S. Berney.
209	Sibley.....	2.80	6.00	8.80	Frank Hagberg.
210	Columbian.....	6.15	6.00	12.15	John L. Gessell.
212	Hallock.....	14.60	6.00	20.60	Norman G. Jensen.
213	Mystic.....	6.60	6.00	12.60	Geo. T. Williams.
215	Argyle.....	13.35	6.00	19.35	J. W. McKay.
216	Florence.....	5.20	6.00	11.20	J. P. Hauck.
217	Capital City.....	.....	6.00	6.00	M. S. Van Dresser.
218	Griswold.....	2.60	6.00	8.60	J. J. Leverenz.
220	Olivia.....	4.15	6.00	10.15	J. H. McLaughlin.
221	Equity.....	5.60	6.00	11.60	C. R. Laingen.
222	Elysian.....	2.85	6.00	8.85	J. W. Root.
223	Mora.....	3.05	6.00	9.05	Wm. Staples.
224	Minnesota.....	.20	6.00	6.20	Chas. D. Raymer.
225	Justice.....	5.35	6.00	11.35	R. Morton.
226	Lincoln.....	2.95	6.00	8.95	J. H. Ward.
227	Park Region.....	9.00	6.00	13.00	E. H. Cornell.
228	Vernon Center.....	4.15	6.00	10.15	H. Kraus.
229	Stewart.....	3.15	6.00	9.15	E. E. Swan.
230	Alpha.....	10.75	6.00	16.75	W. D. Bangs.
231	Magnolia.....	5.55	6.00	11.55	E. J. Calkins.
232	Chisago.....	1.70	6.00	7.70	F. M. Dahlby.
233	Bemidji.....	10.45	6.00	16.45	Wm. McCuaig.
234	Sandstone.....	3.40	6.00	9.40	A. S. Webb.
235	Edgerton.....	12.05	6.00	11.00	A. Pilling.
237	Albert Pike.....	0.50	6.00	6.50	S. S. Kilvington.
238	Equality.....	6.45	6.00	12.45	G. A. Dahlman.
239	Riveth.....	9.20	6.00	15.20	A. C. Osborn.
240	Astra.....	2.10	6.00	8.10	Felton Vollmer.
241	Frazee.....	7.75	6.00	13.75	T. W. Chilton.
242	Ruthon.....	7.00	6.00	13.00	Cary Diehl.
243	Cass.....	9.50	6.00	15.50	Geo. Stein.
244	Coteau.....	6.50	6.00	12.50	Jacob Rouse.
				\$2,528.85	

## APPENDIX E.

## NAMES OF LODGES ALPHABETICALLY ARRANGED.

Name.	No.	Name.	No.	Name.	No.
Acacia .....	51	Frontier .....	152	Nicollet .....	54
Agate .....	167	Fulda .....	170	Norman .....	154
Albert Pike .....	237	Garnet .....	166	Northern .....	236
Alpha .....	230	Geneva .....	196	North Star .....	23
Alma .....	131	Golden Fleece .....	89	Olivia .....	220
Amboy .....	193	Golden Rule .....	65	Orient .....	84
Anchor .....	178	Golden Sheaf .....	133	Oriental .....	54
Ancient Landmark .....	5	Good Faith .....	90	Orion .....	138
Anoka .....	30	Grand Meadow .....	121	Osakis .....	180
Antiquity .....	91	Granite .....	117	Palestine .....	79
Appleton .....	137	Griswold .....	218	Park Region .....	227
Arcana .....	187	Guardian .....	149	Paynesville .....	71
Argyle .....	215	Hallock .....	212	Peiham .....	157
Ark .....	176	Harmony .....	43	Pickwick .....	110
Ashler .....	61	Hector .....	158	Pierson .....	169
Astra .....	240	Henderson .....	80	Pleasant Grove .....	22
Atelier .....	202	Hennepin .....	4	Plumb Line .....	173
Aurora .....	100	Hermon .....	41	Plymouth .....	160
Barto .....	249	High Forest .....	85	Prairie .....	123
Bemidji .....	233	Hokah .....	17	Prescott .....	162
Ben Franklin .....	144	Hope .....	42	Preston .....	36
Benton .....	146	Howard .....	82	Prudence .....	97
Bethel .....	103	Humboldt .....	132	Quarry .....	148
Bird Island .....	144	Huram Abi .....	83	Raymond .....	248
Blue Earth City .....	57	Illustrious .....	63	Red Wing .....	8
Blue Earth Valley .....	27	Ionic .....	186	Relief .....	108
Braden .....	168	Itasca .....	208	Kenville .....	195
Brownsville .....	73	Janesville .....	124	Rising Sun .....	49
Caledonia .....	20	Jasper .....	164	Rochester .....	21
Canby .....	147	Joppa .....	76	Roman Eagle .....	175
Cannon River .....	52	Josephus .....	128	Rough Ashlar .....	177
Canton .....	194	Justice .....	225	Ruthlon .....	242
Capital City .....	217	Kellogg .....	122	St. Elmo .....	204
Carnelian .....	40	Kenyon .....	201	St. Johns .....	1
Carver .....	111	Keystone .....	94	St. Paul .....	3
Cass .....	243	Khurum .....	112	Sakatah .....	32
Cataract .....	2	King David .....	179	Sandstone .....	234
Chain Lake .....	94	King Hiram .....	31	Sharon .....	104
Charity .....	98	King Solomon .....	44	Shekinah .....	171
Chaska .....	151	Kodahya .....	153	Shell .....	184
Chisago .....	232	Lafayette .....	116	Sherburne .....	85
Clear Water .....	28	Lakefield .....	250	Sibley .....	209
Cokato .....	134	Lake Park .....	254	Sincerity .....	161
Columbian .....	210	Lakeview .....	143	Social .....	48
Concord .....	47	Lausling .....	72	Spring Valley .....	38
Constellation .....	81	Lebanon .....	102	Star .....	62
Corinthian .....	67	Libanus .....	96	Star in the East .....	33
Corner Stone .....	90	Lincoln .....	226	Star in the West .....	60
Coteau .....	214	Little Falls .....	140	Stewart .....	229
Crescent .....	207	Long Prairie .....	159	Stewartville .....	203
Crookston .....	141	Madela .....	66	Summit .....	163
Crow River .....	192	Magnolia .....	231	Sunset .....	109
Currie .....	142	Mankato .....	12	Swift .....	129
Dakota .....	7	Mantorville .....	11	Temple .....	59
Dalles .....	181	Marietta .....	172	Tracy .....	155
Delta .....	119	McKinley .....	251	Traverse .....	189
Dexter .....	253	Melrose .....	145	Triune .....	190
Doric .....	87	Meridian .....	56	Tuscan .....	77
Edgerton .....	235	Mesaba .....	255	Tyrion .....	36
Elgin .....	115	Midway .....	185	Union .....	45
Elysian .....	222	Minneapolis .....	19	Unity .....	48
Equality .....	238	Minnehaha .....	165	Valley .....	174
Equity .....	221	Minnesota .....	224	Vermillion .....	197
Euclid .....	198	Mizpah .....	191	Verndale .....	139
Eureka .....	75	Monticello .....	16	Vernon Center .....	228
Evansville .....	214	Moorhead .....	126	Wabasso .....	245
Evereth .....	239	Mora .....	223	Wadena .....	156
Evergreen .....	46	Morality .....	247	Wadnet .....	136
Excelsior .....	113	Morning Star .....	29	Wapahasa .....	14
Fair Haven .....	182	Morton .....	252	Warren .....	150
Faribault .....	9	Mount Hermon .....	219	Washington .....	38
Fidelity .....	9	Mount Moriah .....	35	Watertown .....	50
Fides .....	246	Mount Tabor .....	106	Wayzata .....	205
Florence .....	216	Murray .....	198	Western Star .....	26
Fortitude .....	188	Mystic .....	213	Wilton .....	24
Fosston .....	206	Mystic Circle .....	78	Winona .....	18
Fraternal .....	92	Mystic Star .....	69	Winslow Lewis .....	125
Fraternity .....	101	Mystic Tie .....	37	Zenith .....	200
Frazee .....	241	Nelson .....	135	Zion .....	55
Friendship .....	211	Newport .....	118		

## APPENDIX F.

## LOCATION OF LODGES IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER.

Location.	Lodge.	No.	Location.	Lodge.	No.
Ada.....	Norman.....	154	Faribault.....	Faribault.....	9
Adrian.....	Roman Eagle.....	175	Farmington.....	Corinthian.....	67
Aitkin.....	Mystic.....	213	Fergus Falls.....	Corner Stone.....	99
Albert Lea.....	Western Star.....	26	Fosston.....	Fosston.....	206
Alexandria.....	Constellation.....	81	Frazee.....	Frazee.....	241
Alma City.....	Wilton.....	24	Fulda.....	Fulda.....	179
Amboy.....	Amboy.....	193	Glencoe.....	Hope.....	42
Annandale.....	Pair Haven.....	182	Glenwood.....	Valley.....	174
Anoka.....	Anoka.....	30	Good Thunder.....	Joppa.....	76
Appleton.....	Appleton.....	137	Graceville.....	Friendship.....	211
Argyle.....	Argyle.....	215	Grand Meadow.....	Grand Meadow.....	121
Atwater.....	Orion.....	193	Grand Rapids.....	Itasca.....	208
Austin.....	Fidelity.....	39	Granite Falls.....	Granite.....	117
Barnesville.....	Pierson.....	169	Hallock.....	Hallock.....	212
Belgrade.....	Crow River.....	192	Hancock.....	Mt. Hermon.....	219
Belle Plaine.....	Rough Ashlar.....	177	Hastings.....	Dakota.....	7
Bemidji.....	Bemidji.....	233	Hastings.....	Mt. Moriah.....	35
Benson.....	Swift.....	129	Hector.....	Hector.....	153
Bird Island.....	Bird Island.....	144	Henderson.....	Henderson.....	80
Blooming Prairie.....	Prairie.....	123	Hendricks.....	Morality.....	247
Blue Earth.....	Blue Earth City.....	57	Hendrum.....	Alpha.....	230
Brainerd.....	Aurora.....	100	Herman.....	Prescott.....	162
Breckenridge.....	Frontier.....	152	Heron Lake.....	Columbian.....	210
Brown's Valley.....	Kodayha.....	153	Hibbing.....	Mesaba.....	255
Brownsville.....	Brownsville.....	73	Hibbing.....	High Forest.....	85
Brownsdale.....	Lafayette.....	149	Hokah.....	Hokah.....	17
Brownston.....	Guardian.....	149	Hopkins.....	Albert Pike.....	237
Buffalo.....	Nelson.....	135	Houston.....	Mystic Circle.....	78
Caledonia.....	Caledonia.....	20	Howard Lake.....	Howard.....	82
Campbell.....	Agate.....	167	Hutchinson.....	Temple.....	59
Canby.....	Canby.....	147	Jackson.....	St. Elmo.....	204
Cannon Falls.....	Oriental.....	34	Janesville.....	Janesville.....	124
Canton.....	Canton.....	194	Jasper.....	Good Faith.....	90
Carver.....	Carver.....	111	Jordan.....	King Hiram.....	31
Cass Lake.....	Cass.....	243	Kasson.....	Huram Abi.....	83
Chaska.....	Chaska.....	151	Kellogg.....	Kellogg.....	132
Chatfield.....	Meridian.....	56	Kenyon.....	Kenyon.....	201
Clear Water.....	Clear Water.....	28	Kimball.....	Plumb Line.....	173
Cleveland.....	Concord.....	47	La Crescent.....	Morning Star.....	29
Cloquet.....	Dalles.....	181	Lake Benton.....	Benton.....	146
Clyde.....	Evergreen.....	46	Lake City.....	Carmelian.....	40
Cokato.....	Cokato.....	134	Lake Crystal.....	Bethel.....	103
Cottage Grove.....	Acacia.....	51	Lakefield.....	Lakefield.....	250
Cottonwood.....	Equity.....	221	Lake Park.....	Lake Park.....	254
Crookston.....	Crookston.....	141	Lakeland.....	Golden Rule.....	65
Currie.....	Currie.....	142	Lamberton.....	Justice.....	225
Dassel.....	Griswold.....	218	Lanesboro.....	Lebanon.....	102
Dawson.....	Atelier.....	202	Lansing.....	Lansing.....	72
Detroit.....	Mt. Tabor.....	106	Le Roy.....	Eureka.....	75
Dexter.....	Dexter.....	253	Lester Prairie.....	Astra.....	240
Dodge Center.....	Relief.....	108	Le Sueur.....	Union.....	45
Duluth.....	Palestine.....	79	Lewiston.....	Harmony.....	43
Duluth.....	Ionic.....	186	Litchfield.....	Golden Fleece.....	89
Echo.....	Barto.....	249	Little Falls.....	Little Falls.....	140
Edgerton.....	Edgerton.....	234	Long Prairie.....	Long Prairie.....	159
Elbow Lake.....	Park Region.....	227	Luverne.....	Ben Franklin.....	114
Elgin.....	Elgin.....	115	Lyle.....	Alma.....	181
Elk River.....	Sherburne.....	95	Madelia.....	Madelia.....	66
Elmore.....	King David.....	179	Madison.....	Geneva.....	199
Elysian.....	Elysian.....	222	Mankato.....	Mankato.....	12
Evansville.....	Evansville.....	214	Mantorville.....	Mantorville.....	11
Eveleth.....	Eveleth.....	239	Marietta.....	Marietta.....	172
Excelsior.....	Excelsior.....	113	Marshall.....	Delta.....	119
Eyota.....	Ashler.....	61	Mapleton.....	Josephus.....	128
Fairmont.....	Chain Lake.....	64	Mazepa.....	Tyrian.....	86



## APPENDIX F.—Continued.

Location.	Lodge.	No.	Location.	Lodge.	No.
Melrose.....	Melrose.....	145	Slayton.....	Murray.....	199
Milaca.....	Lincoln.....	226	Sherburn.....	Magnolia.....	231
Minneapolis.....	Cataract.....	2	Sleepy Eye.....	Keystone.....	94
Minneapolis.....	Hennepin.....	4	South St. Paul.....	Mizpah.....	191
Minneapolis.....	Minneapolis.....	19	Springfield.....	Zenith.....	200
Minneapolis.....	Khurum.....	112	Spring Valley.....	Spring Valley.....	58
Minneapolis.....	Plymouth.....	160	Staples.....	Crescent.....	207
Minneapolis.....	Minnehaha.....	165	Stewart.....	Stewart.....	229
Minneapolis.....	Ark.....	176	Stewartville.....	Stewartville.....	203
Minneapolis.....	Arcana.....	187	Stillwater.....	St. Johns.....	1
Minneapolis.....	Minnesota.....	224	St. Charles.....	Rising Sun.....	49
Minneota.....	Equality.....	238	St. Cloud.....	North Star.....	23
Money Creek.....	Orient.....	84	St. James.....	Libanus.....	96
Montevideo.....	Sunset.....	109	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	3
Monticello.....	Monticello.....	16	St. Paul.....	Ancient Landm <sup>k</sup> .....	5
Moorhead.....	Moorhead.....	126	St. Paul.....	Summit.....	163
Mora.....	Mora.....	223	St. Paul.....	Braden.....	168
Morris.....	Golden Sheaf.....	133	St. Paul.....	Shekinah.....	171
Morristown.....	Cannon River.....	52	St. Paul.....	Midway.....	185
Morton.....	Morton.....	252	St. Paul.....	Triune.....	190
New Paynesville.....	Paynesville.....	71	St. Paul.....	Capitol City.....	217
Newport.....	Newport.....	118	St. Peter.....	Nicollet.....	54
New Ulm.....	Charity.....	98	Taylor's Falls.....	Zion.....	55
North Branch.....	Chisago.....	232	Thief River Falls.....	Northern.....	236
Northfield.....	Social.....	48	Tower.....	Vermillion.....	197
Olivia.....	Olivia.....	220	Tracy.....	Tracy.....	155
Ortonville.....	Lakeview.....	143	Two Harbors.....	Fortitude.....	188
Osakis.....	Osakis.....	180	Tyler.....	McKinley.....	251
Osseo.....	Winslow Lewis.....	125	Verndale.....	Verndale.....	139
Owatonna.....	Star in the East.....	33	Vernon Center.....	Vernon Center.....	228
Park Rapids.....	Shell.....	184	Villard.....	Sincerity.....	161
Perham.....	Perham.....	157	Wabasha.....	Wapahasa.....	14
Pickwick.....	Pickwick.....	110	Wabasso.....	Wabasso.....	245
Pine Island.....	Mystic Tie.....	37	Wadena.....	Wadena.....	156
Pipestone.....	Quarry.....	143	Walnut Grove.....	Walnut.....	136
Plainview.....	Illustrious.....	63	Warren.....	Warren.....	150
Pleasant Grove.....	Pleasant Grove.....	22	Waseca.....	Tuscan.....	77
Preston.....	Preston.....	36	Watertown.....	Watertown.....	50
Princeton.....	Fraternal.....	92	Waterville.....	Sakatah.....	32
Raymond.....	Raymond.....	243	Wayzata.....	Wayzata.....	205
Red Wing.....	Red Wing.....	8	Wells.....	Doric.....	87
Redwood Falls.....	Antiquity.....	91	West Concord.....	Washington.....	38
Renville.....	Renville.....	195	West Duluth.....	Euclid.....	9
Rochester.....	Rochester.....	21	Wheaton.....	Traverse.....	189
Rockford.....	Star.....	62	White Bear.....	Garnet.....	166
Royalton.....	Anchor.....	178	Willmar.....	Sharon.....	104
Rush City.....	Jasper.....	164	Windom.....	Prudence.....	97
Rushford.....	Mystic Star.....	69	Winnepago City.....	Blue Earth Valley.....	27
Russell.....	Coteau.....	244	Winona.....	Winona.....	13
Ruthon.....	Ruthon.....	242	Winthrop.....	Sibley.....	209
Sanborn.....	Fides.....	246	Wood Lake.....	Florence.....	216
Sandstone.....	Sandstone.....	234	Worthington.....	Fraternity.....	101
Sauk Centre.....	Star in the West.....	60	Young America.....	Humboldt.....	132
Sauk Rapids.....	Unity.....	93	Zumbrota.....	Hermon.....	41
Shakopee.....	King Solomon.....	44			

## In Memoriam.

James Nathan Castle, . Past Deputy Grand Master

Born in Shefford Co., Quebec, in 1836.

Died in Stillwater, Minn., Jan. 2, 1903.

John Herbert Randall, . Past Senior Grand Warden

Born in Auburn, Maine, Dec. 16, 1853.

Died in Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 8, 1902.

Benjamin F. Farmer, Pres. Masonic Veteran Ass'n

Born in Vermont in 1832.

Died in Spring Valley, Minn., April 27, 1902.

## Past Grand Masters.

Name.	Jurisdiction.	Date of Death.
B. Watts Ball . . . . .	South Carolina . . .	Mar. 27, 1902
Andrew M. Callahan . . . . .	Kansas . . . . .	July 13, 1902
James M. Hilliard . . . . .	Florida . . . . .	July 26, 1902
Milton Livsey . . . . .	Rhode Island . . . .	Aug. 6, 1902
Reuben J. Laughlin . . . . .	Arkansas . . . . .	Aug. 13, 1902
Albert Lackey . . . . .	Nevada . . . . .	Aug. 15, 1902
John W. Mix . . . . .	Connecticut . . . . .	Oct. 12, 1902
Segund A. Gonzales . . . . .	Cuba . . . . .	Oct. 14, 1920
Henry L. Fish . . . . .	Nevada . . . . .	Oct. 21, 1902
Josiah H. Drummond . . . . .	Maine . . . . .	Oct. 25, 1902
Clinton F. Paige . . . . .	New York . . . . .	Nov. 13, 1902
Henry P. H. Bromwell . . . . .	Illinois . . . . .	Jan. 9, 1903
Andrew H. White . . . . .	South Carolina . . . .	Jan. 19, 1903

Hugh Sterling, G. Treas. . .	West Virginia . . . .	Feb. 24, 1902
John D. Caldwell, P. G. Sec., . . . . .	Ohio . . . . .	April 4, 1902
Timothy W. Bliss, G. Tyler, . . . . .	West Virginia . . . .	April 6, 1902
Geo. L. McCahan, P.D.G.M., . . . . .	Maryland . . . . .	July 30, 1902
Abram H. Ellis, J. G. W. . . . .	Kansas . . . . .	Sept. 25, 1902
Ed. G. Burke, P. G. Treas. . . . .	South Dakota . . . . .	Nov. 7, 1902
Wiley M. Egan, P. G. Treas., . . . . .	Illinois . . . . .	Feb. 12, 1903

## DEATHS IN 1902.

NAME OF LODGE.	No.	NAME OF DECEASED.	Date.
St. Johns.....	1	Henry P. Pfeleger.....	Aug. 24, 1902
		William H. Caine.....	Sept. 16, 1902
		Henry Muller.....	Sept. 17, 1902
		Neil A. McKay.....	Oct. 19, 1902
		Thos. H. Calihan.....	Dec. 22, 1902
Cataract.....	2	Solon Armstrong.....	Jan. 25, 1902
		George Plowman.....	Feb. 22, 1902
		L. D. Valentine.....	May 21, 1902
		L. B. Lovejoy.....	July 2, 1902
		H. L. Moon.....	Sept. 5, 1902
		E. G. Libbey.....	Sept. 22, 1902
		J. S. Kupfer.....	Oct. 31, 1902
		Geo. Houghton.....	Nov. 6, 1902
St. Paul. ....	3	E. H. Connors.....	Dec. 4, 1902
		Anthony Nepil.....	Jan. 16, 1902
		Olof Olson.....	Jan. 31, 1902
		H. J. Brainerd.....	May 4, 1902
		Benjamin J. Knapp.....	Oct. 1, 1902
		H. S. Walrath.....	Dec. 21, 1902
Hennepin.....	4	Henry R. Owen.....	April 22, 1900
		James Flannagan.....	April 1, 1902
		Caleb Woodbury.....	April 25, 1902
		Henry Watson.....	July 15, 1902
		John H. Randall.....	Oct. 8, 1902
		Ira A. Newell.....	Dec. 10, 1902
Ancient Landmark.....	5	Richard D. Czeikowitz.....	Jan. 26, 1902
		Joseph J. Hall.....	Feb. 4, 1902
		Silas Van Horn.....	Feb. 15, 1902
		John C. Terry.....	Feb. 15, 1902
		George B. Glenny.....	Feb. 8, 1902
		Wm. A. Boxell.....	April 9, 1902
		Benj. Bradley.....	May 1, 1902
		Cal. S. Uline.....	May 19, 1902
		R. C. Burdick.....	Oct. 13, 1902
		John H. Ives.....	Oct. 26, 1902
		Chas. W. Nitterauer.....	Nov. 15, 1902
		C. D. Gilhllan.....	Dec. 13, 1902
Dakota.....	7	Peter Scott.....	June 30, 1902
Red Wing.....	8	Geo. H. Benton.....	March 11, 1900
		William P. Brown.....	May 6, 1900
		F. T. Kingman.....	June 9, 1900
Faribault.....	9	Lewis Peavey.....	April 24, 1902
		A. W. Stockton.....	May 8, 1902
		C. L. Lowell.....	Sept. 7, 1902
		J. R. Parshall.....	Sept. 10, 1902
		J. B. Gwathney.....	Oct. 22, 1902
		W. J. Gale.....	Nov. 6, 1902
		I. B. Spencer.....	Nov. 22, 1902
Mankato.....	12	Daniel A. Dickinson.....	Feb. 2, 1902
		Orrin O. Pitcher.....	March 20, 1902
		Abraham Smith.....	April 21, 1902
Wapahasa.....	14	W. R. Bennett.....	March 26, 1902
		Clarence H. Johnson.....	Oct. 13, 1902
Hokah.....	17	L. L. Radcliffe.....	Aug. 28, 1902
Winona.....	18	Thomas Chappell.....	Feb. 28, 1902
		Brainerd K. Rowley.....	April 19, 1902
		Edward A. Stoker.....	June 22, 1902
		W. M. Hurlbert.....	Nov. 15, 1902
		E. B. Drew.....	June 10, 1902
Minneapolis.....	19	James G. Skaro.....	Feb. 9, 1902
		George F. Fairchild.....	April 24, 1902
		Charles E. Kent.....	May 1, 1902
		J. N. Wilson.....	May 6, 1902
		Charles Clayden.....	June 6, 1902
		James Cyphers.....	July 8, 1902
		William Parson.....	Aug. 22, 1902
		T. A. Kelley.....	Nov. 20, 1902
		John A. Fichette.....	Dec. 13, 1902
Caledonia.....	20	O. W. Streeter.....	Dec. 16, 1902
Rochester.....	21	Albert D. Vedder.....	Sept. 18, 1902
		Delbert Darling.....	Nov. 4, 1902
North Star.....	23	Warren W. Wright.....	Feb. 2, 1902
		William Dickinson.....	May 30, 1902
Western Star.....	26	Frank B. Fohes.....	April 18, 1902
		Bord O. Esping.....	Dec. 9, 1902
Morning Star.....	29	W. R. Anderson.....	Jan. 2, 1902

## DEATHS IN 1902.—Continued.

NAME OF LODGE.	No.	NAME OF DECEASED.	Date.
Anoka .....	30	Hiram Thornton .....	Mch. 20, 1902
		Edward J. Jennings .....	June 23, 1902
		John S. Woodbury .....	Sept. 27, 1902
		Wm. P. Ives .....	Oct. 18, 1902
Sakatah .....	32	J. J. Kessler .....	Jan. 8, 1902
Mount Moriah .....	35	William Gillett .....	March 21, 1902
		Andrew Warsop .....	July 7, 1902
Preston .....	36	W. W. Foote .....	Feb. 15, 1902
		William Seelye .....	April 18, 1902
		Gabriel Gabrielson .....	May 15, 1902
Mystic Tie .....	37	E. L. Swarthout .....	Aug. 10, 1902
Fidelity .....	39	Frank M. Smith .....	Jan. 13, 1902
		Joseph K. Strever .....	May 22, 1902
		T. C. Harris .....	June 4, 1902
		R. L. Tanner .....	Nov. 26, 1902
Carnelian .....	40	Geo. R. Bartron .....	March 16, 1902
		William J. Hahn .....	Sept. 23, 1902
Hermon .....	41	William B. Dickey .....	Nov. 2, 1902
Hope .....	42	Benjamin H. Newton .....	April 22, 1902
		Benjamin F. Foster .....	Aug. 4, 1902
King Solomon .....	44	Nicholas S. Schaefer .....	Mch. 2, 1902
Union .....	45	Daniel Bannatyne .....	Dec. 15, 1902
		John W. Kulp .....	—, 1898
Concord .....	47	Peter V. Cheadle .....	June 30, 1902
Rising Sun .....	49	F. W. Kempe .....	Jan. 2, 1902
		N. N. Pike .....	Nov. 26, 1902
Nicollet .....	51	John J. Snider .....	Jan. 10, 1902
		Henry C. Davis .....	Mch. 5, 1902
		John V. L. Dodd .....	June —, 1902
		Benjamin Rogers .....	Sept. 13, 1902
Meridian .....	56	Robert N. Etnier .....	Jan. 5, 1902
Blue Earth City .....	57	Rial B. Johnson .....	Jan. 15, 1902
Spring Valley .....	58	Arlow L. Howe .....	Jan. 12, 1902
		Benj. F. Farmer .....	April 27, 1902
		W. W. Murdoff .....	May 4, 1902
		Francis Rafferty .....	June 18, 1902
		James Graham .....	July —, 1902
		Russell L. Moore .....	Aug. 19, 1902
		Fred B. Winslow .....	Dec. 27, 1902
		Norman W. Kingsley .....	Sept. 22, 1902
Temple .....	59	David A. Fickling .....	Jan. 17, 1901
Star in the West .....	60	Edward P. Barnum .....	Jan. 10, 1902
		Helmer P. Hilsdale .....	Jan. 22, 1902
		Eric L. Hedin .....	Oct. 21, 1902
Illustrious .....	63	J. W. Mallory .....	Aug. 11, 1902
		William J. Walton .....	Sept. 7, 1902
		Joseph W. Marshall .....	Oct. 19, 1902
Chain Lake .....	64	P. A. Brown .....	Nov. 14, 1902
Madelia .....	66	Arthur E. Engelbrecht .....	Feb. 3, 1902
		Allen B. Stone .....	Dec. 3, 1902
Corinthian .....	67	John H. Thurston .....	Sept. 24, 1902
Mystic Star .....	69	Hiram C. Webber, Jr. ....	Feb. 19, 1902
Eureka .....	75	John Mahoney .....	April 19, 1902
Palestine .....	79	Linus J. Wilson .....	March 7, 1902
		John A. McKenzie .....	June 13, 1902
		George F. Nolan .....	June 14, 1902
		Albert Gasser .....	June 23, 1902
		Harry Mathews .....	July 8, 1902
		Colby Smith .....	July 15, 1902
		Thomas W. Barry .....	Oct. —, 1902
Henderson .....	80	Alonzo H. Taylor .....	May 1, 1902
Constellation .....	81	Charles Schultz .....	May 10, 1902
		Marcus E. Van Cott .....	Nov. 21, 1902
Howard .....	82	John Lauzer .....	June 15, 1902
		James Dewees .....	Dec. 19, 1902
Huram Abi .....	83	Benjamin Smith .....	Oct. 13, 1902
High Forest .....	85	T. F. Beckett .....	Feb. 6, 1902
Tyrian .....	86	George E. Beman .....	Dec. 7, 1902
Golden Pledge .....	89	Warren B. Robb .....	June 23, 1901
		George A. Lee .....	June 30, 1902
Antiquity .....	91	Andrew H. Anderson .....	June 23, 1902
Fraternal .....	92	Edward Allen .....	Sept. 14, 1902
		John S. Bouck .....	Oct. 15, 1902
Sherburne .....	95	James Douglass .....	—, 1892
Prudence .....	97	Chas. F. Warren .....	—, 1895
		Heman A. Cone .....	Aug. 17, 1902

## DEATHS IN 1902.—Continued.

NAME OF LODGE.	No.	NAME OF DECEASED.	Date.
Prudence .....	97	Chas. J. Robinson .....	Oct. 13, 1902
Corner Stone .....	99	L. P. Gjermo .....	Sept. 12, 1902
Aurora .....	100	James Dewar .....	March 2, 1902
		Chas. E. Sherwood .....	May 9, 1902
		George W. Bain .....	April 28, 1902
		Frank B. Johnson .....	Nov. 16, 1902
Lebanon .....	102	Bertram H. Eldred .....	Sept. 29, 1902
Bethel .....	103	Wm. Gabriel Franchere .....	Feb. 14, 1902
		Andrew M. Thompson .....	June 20, 1902
		John Andrews .....	Dec. 1, 1902
Mt. Tabor .....	106	O. F. Ostrander .....	March 29, 1902
Sunset .....	109	Jonas Tisdale .....	Sept. 29, 1902
Pickwick .....	110	Vernon Snider .....	Sept. 16, 1902
		Freeman H. Hudson .....	Jan. 19, 1902
		W. H. Campbell .....	April 7, 1902
		Jacob Wales, Jr. ....	April 14, 1902
		Phil Duttonhoefer .....	June 17, 1902
		J. D. Grant .....	Jan. 16, 1902
Ben Franklin .....	114	Ezra Dickerman .....	Dec. 31, 1901
Elgin .....	115	John D. Otis .....	Sept. 9, 1902
Granite .....	117	Nelson S. Green .....	Sept. 4, 1902
Grand Meadow .....	121	Isaiah Dubuque .....	Jan. 11, 1902
Winslow Lewis .....	125	John H. Hechtman .....	Oct. 15, 1902
		James B. Hill .....	Jan. 13, 1902
Josephus .....	128	John D. Good .....	Dec. 11, 1902
Golden Sheaf .....	133	George Davies .....	May 2, 1902
Nelson .....	135	Henry B. Griffing .....	June 7, 1902
		Wm. B. Dawley .....	Feb. 27, 1902
		Lorenzo H. Judson .....	April 28, 1902
		Lars C. Larsen .....	Aug. 28, 1902
		Wm. J. Loy .....	Jan. 23, 1902
		Isaac Frantzvag .....	Oct. 19, 1902
Quarry .....	148	A. G. Smith .....	Feb. 16, 1902
Kodahya .....	153	Harry F. Blaisdell .....	Sept. 28, 1902
		Edward Davis .....	Dec. 24, 1902
		Geo. C. Stebbins .....	Feb. 20, 1902
Norman .....	154	Daniel Zimmerman .....	June 15, 1902
Wadena .....	156	Jacob P. Atwood .....	Jan. 4, 1902
Plymouth .....	160	Walton W. Holly .....	Oct. 28, 1902
Sincerity .....	161	Henry F. Extrand .....	Oct. 3, 1902
Garnet .....	165	James Middleton .....	Sept. 1, 1902
Braden .....	168	Alex. J. Gunness .....	July 15, 1902
Pierson .....	169	Peter O. Opsahl .....	Feb. 20, 1902
Fulda .....	170	Otis G. Day .....	April 29, 1902
Shekinah .....	171	Simon H. Diehl .....	Mar. 2, 1902
		Henry B. McHenry .....	Mar. 11, 1902
Plumb Line .....	173	John L. Adams .....	April 15, 1902
Valley .....	174	William Ruddick .....	Jan. 21, 1902
Ark .....	176	J. D. Smith .....	May 14, 1902
		J. A. Pratt .....	Aug. 9, 1902
		Louis W. Pierce .....	Sept. 19, 1902
		G. W. Pierce .....	Oct. 29, 1902
		Elisha Bailey .....	May 3, 1902
King David .....	179	Albert Korizek .....	Oct. 27, 1902
Dalles .....	181	Philip H. Oswald .....	Nov. 11, 1902
Ionic .....	186	Robert O. Sweeney .....	Sept. 6, 1902
		M. J. Seitz .....	June 9, 1902
Arcana .....	187	J. R. Matteson .....	Oct. 7, 1902
		Harry W. Koppeiberger .....	June 8, 1902
Traverse .....	189	George S. Wiseman .....	Jan. 9, 1902
Triune .....	190	John W. Noble .....	June 20, 1902
		Abram D. Moe .....	Dec. 28, 1901
Mizpah .....	191	Nels P. Nelson .....	Mar. 26, 1902
Sibley .....	209	Adolph A. Wendell .....	Oct. 28, 1902
Mystic .....	213	Peter W. Heins .....	May 10, 1902
Olivia .....	220	Edgar E. Cook .....	Mar. 30, 1902
		Jacob F. Reichert .....	June 9, 1902
Equity .....	221	Ira Myrick .....	Feb. 25, 1902
Elysian .....	222	David McFarland .....	April 23, 1902
Mora .....	223	George B. Tretbar .....	Nov. 8, 1902
Justice .....	225	James H. Currie .....	May 5, 1902
Lincoln .....	226	James B. Sprague .....	June 26, 1902
Bemidji .....	233	Karl Kretschmar .....	Feb. 22, 1902
Northern .....	236	Otis L. Wasson .....	Aug. 13, 1902
Eveleth .....	239		



## STATISTICS—1853-1903.

Month.	Date of Annual Communication.		Lodges on Roll.	Active Lodges.	Lodges Represented.	Lodges Chartered.	Members.	Receipts Past Year, Including Interest.	Paid Out for Relief Past Year.	Total Disbursements Past Year.	Balance on Hand General and W. & O. Fund.
	Days Inclusive.	Year.									
Feb	24	1853	3	3	3	3	95				
Jan	2-3	1854	3	3	3	2	122	\$170.50		\$85.00	\$105.50
Jan	1-6	1855	5	5	5	1	200	320.50		67.00	359.00
Jan	7-11	1856	6	6	6	3	270	302.50		279.44	472.06
Jan	6-9	1857	8	8	8	10	620	1,100.40	\$55.00	726.21	846.25
Jan	5-8	1858	18	18	14	6	800	1,089.50		1,035.00	900.75
Oct	26-28	1858	24	24	19	4	800	882.13		920.67	862.21
Oct	25-26	1859	28	28	21	2	800	634.23		885.52	610.92
Oct	23-25	1860	30	30	20	5	900	879.50		870.00	620.42
Oct	22-23	1861	35	31	26	3	1,100	659.50		906.81	409.11
Oct	27-28	1863	38	38	26	6	1,600	1,750.00		1,150.00	1,009.11
Oct	25-26	1864	44	39	29	5	1,900	2,097.72		1,009.11	2,097.72
Oct	24-25	1865	49	43	32	5	2,300	2,118.50		1,710.10	2,506.12
Oct	23-24	1866	54	48	42	1	2,700	2,810.35		1,119.80	4,196.67
Oct	22-24	1867	55	49	44	13	3,100	3,319.25		2,049.06	5,466.86
Jan	12-15	1869	68	61	61	10	3,600	6,174.79		5,853.75	5,787.90
Jan	11-13	1870	78	71	66	5	4,100	4,275.42		6,190.20	3,873.12
Jan	10-12	1871	83	76	74	4	4,600	3,733.14		6,031.91	1,574.35
Jan	9-12	1872	87	80	79	8	5,000	4,167.50		5,614.75	127.10
Jan	14-15	1873	95	88	73	9	5,350	8,989.50		3,299.90	816.70
Jan	13-15	1874	104	96	87	5	5,800	4,117.50		854.53	4,079.67
Jan	12-14	1875	109	100	83	6	6,200	4,440.50		4,949.85	4,170.82
Jan	11-13	1876	115	106	92	9	6,350	3,750.00		4,133.10	3,787.72
Jan	9-11	1877	124	115	105	5	6,550	4,334.75		3,642.55	4,479.92
Jan	15-16	1878	129	120	108	4	6,750	3,480.75		3,772.20	4,188.47
Jan	14-15	1879	133	124	111	3	6,900	4,681.00		4,277.79	4,591.68
Jan	13-14	1880	136	127	109	5	7,000	4,596.50		3,577.24	5,610.94
Jan	11-12	1881	141	129	120	5	7,250	4,748.50		3,210.27	7,149.17
Jan	10-11	1882	146	133	120	5	7,600	5,193.05	100.00	3,599.33	8,742.89
Jan	9-10	1883	151	138	124	5	8,100	5,532.93		3,849.86	10,425.96
Jan	15-16	1884	156	143	133	2	8,600	6,041.83		4,228.76	12,244.03
Jan	13-14	1885	158	145	134	5	9,000	5,894.29	125.00	4,545.98	13,592.34
Jan	12-13	1886	163	150	128	5	9,500	5,711.52	900.00	5,883.97	13,919.99
Jan	11-12	1887	168	154	138	2	10,000	6,129.22	125.00	4,471.20	15,578.01
Jan	11-13	1888	170	156	140	8	10,450	6,196.40	200.00	4,405.80	17,368.61
Jan	16-17	1889	178	164	155	3	10,900	6,408.35	500.00	5,875.09	17,901.87
Jan	15-17	1890	181	167	154	7	*11,463	7,068.70	300.00	4,949.31	20,021.26
Jan	14-15	1891	188	174	163	11	12,224	7,849.50	1,700.00	7,852.92	20,017.84
Jan	13-14	1892	199	184	163	5	12,832	8,220.00	970.00	6,217.49	22,020.35
Jan	11-12	1893	204	190	179	4	13,384	8,341.80	1,045.00	5,295.63	24,066.52
Jan	10-11	1894	208	194	183	4	14,001	8,365.40	1,345.00	6,161.29	26,270.63
Jan	16-17	1895	212	198	192	3	14,543	8,774.00	1,695.00	7,141.18	27,903.45
Jan	15-16	1896	215	200	189	3	15,065	8,946.20	2,220.00	7,699.03	29,150.62
Jan	13-14	1897	218	202	195	3	15,428	8,742.12	2,420.00	7,890.51	30,002.23
Jan	12-13	1898	221	205	195	2	15,681	8,748.75	2,365.00	8,107.97	30,643.01
Jan	11-12	1899	223	206	196	3	15,908	9,027.09	2,745.00	8,538.30	31,331.80
Jan	17-18	1900	226	210	200	6	16,401	9,879.16	3,120.00	8,532.22	32,678.74
Jan	23-24	1901	232	216	208	5	16,886	10,269.02	3,245.00	9,291.22	33,656.54
Jan	22-23	1902	237	221	216	7	17,528	11,081.06	3,455.00	8,903.51	35,894.09
Feb	24-25	1903	244	228	216	11	18,542	12,423.55	2,735.00	8,805.37	39,452.27
Jan	20-21	1904	255	239					2,335.00		
Total								\$249,594.47	\$33,160.00	\$210,142.20	

\*The membership prior to 1890 is estimated, the figures in the proceedings being unreliable.

†The total enrollment of Master Masons in all our lodges during the past 50 years has been 40,400. Of these 26,933 were raised. The losses have been: Withdrawn, 12,515; stricken from roll, 6,243; less 1,678 restored; suspended, 140; expelled, 150; died, 8,880. Sixteen lodges stricken from roll, 423. Total net loss, 21,673.

‡Of this amount over \$26,000 is invested as a widows' and orphans' fund.

## APPENDIX G.

### DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

*To all whom it may concern, greeting:*

Know ye, that in accordance with a standing resolution of the Grand Lodge, I have divided the jurisdiction, and appointed District Deputy Grand Masters, as follows:

#### FIRST DISTRICT.

PETER SHARP (154), Ada, D. D. G. M.

Crookston, No. 141.....Crookston	Argyle, No. 215.....Argyle
Warren, No. 150.....Warren	Alpha, No. 230.....Hendrum
Norman, No. 154.....Ada	Bemidji, No. 233.....Bemidji
Fosston, No. 206.....Fosston	Northern, No. 236.Thief River Falls
Hallock, No. 212.....Hallock	Cass, No. 243.....Cass Lake

#### SECOND DISTRICT.

E. E. DANIELS (207), Staples, D. D. G. M.

Aurora, No. 100.....Brainerd	Shell, No. 184.....Park Rapids
Mt. Tabor, No. 106.....Detroit	Crescent, No. 207.....Staples
Verndale, No. 139.....Verndale	Mystic, No. 213.....Aitkin
Wadena, No. 156.....Wadena	Frazee, No. 241.....Frazee
Perham, No. 157.....Perham	

#### THIRD DISTRICT.

SHELDON L. FRAZER (186), Duluth, D. D. G. M.

Palestine, No. 79.....Duluth	Euclid, No. 198.....West Duluth
Dalles, No. 181.....Cloquet	Itasca, No. 208.....Grand Rapids
Ionic, No. 186.....Duluth	Eveleth, No. 239.....Eveleth
Fortitude, No. 188...Two Harbors	Mesaba, No. 255.....Hibbing
Vermillion, No. 197.....Tower	

## FOURTH DISTRICT.

J. A. VANDYKE (99), Fergus Falls, D. D. G. M.

Corner Stone, No. 99.....Fergus Falls	Evansville, No. 214.....Evansville
Moorhead, No. 126.....Moorhead	Park Region, No. 227.....Elbow Lake
Frontier, No. 152.....Breckenridge	Lake Park, No. 254.....Lake Park
Agate, No. 167.....Campbell	Hawley, U. D.....Hawley
Pierson, No. 169.....Barnesville	

## FIFTH DISTRICT.

W. A. YATES (180), Osakis, D. D. G. M.

Star in the West, No. 60.S'k Centre	Sincerity, No. 161.....Villard
Constellation, No. 81...Alexandria	Valley, No. 174.....Glenwood
Melrose, No. 145.....Melrose	Osakis, No. 180.....Osakis
Long Prairie, No. 159.Long Prairie	

## SIXTH DISTRICT.

J. H. LUFKIN (23), St. Cloud, D. D. G. M.

Monticello, No. 16.....Monticello	Unity, No. 93.....Sauk Rapids
North Star, No. 23.....St. Cloud	Little Falls, No. 140...Little Falls
Clear Water, No. 28....Clearwater	Anchor, No. 178.....Royalton

## SEVENTH DISTRICT.

JAMES H. WARD (226), Milaca, D. D. G. M.

Anoka, No. 30.....Anoka	Mora, No. 223.....Mora
Fraternal, No. 92.....Princeton	Lincoln, No. 226.....Milaca
Sherburne, No. 95.....Elk River	Sandstone, No. 234.....Sandstone

## EIGHTH DISTRICT.

E. M. DAHLBY (232), North Branch, D. D. G. M.

St. Johns, No. 1.....Stillwater	Jasper, No. 164.....Rush City
Acacia, No. 51.....Cottage Grove	Garnet, No. 166.....White Bear
Zion, No. 55.....Taylors Falls	Chisago, No. 232....North Branch
Golden Rule, No. 65....Lakeland	

## NINTH DISTRICT.

F. H. JOHNSON (62), Rockford, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Star, No. 62.....Rockford	Plumb Line, No. 173.....Kimball
Paynesville, No. 71.New Paynesv'le	Fair Haven, No. 182....Annandale
Nelson, No. 135.....Buffalo	Crow River, No. 192.....Belgrade

## TENTH DISTRICT.

A. R. WELLS (162), Herman, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Sharon, No. 104.....Willmar	Prescott, No. 162.....Herman
Swift, No. 129.....Benson	Mt. Hermon, No. 219....Hancock
Golden Sheaf, No. 133.....Morris	Raymond, No. 248.....Raymond

## ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

A. A. NARVERUD (82), Howard Lake, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Watertown, No. 50.....Watertown	Cokato, No. 134.....Cokato
Howard, No. 82.....Howard Lake	Orion, No. 138.....Atwater
Golden Fleece, No. 89....Litchfield	Griswold, No. 218.....Dassel

## TWELFTH DISTRICT.

GEO. F. GETTY (224), Minnetonka Mills, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Hennepin, No. 4.....Minneapolis	Wayzata, No. 205.....Wayzata
Minneapolis, No. 19....Minneapolis	Minnesota, No. 224....Minneapolis
Khurum, No. 112.....Minneapolis	Albert Pike, No. 237.....Hopkins
Excelsior, No. 113.....Excelsior	

## THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

W. M. HALL (160), Minneapolis, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Cataract, No. 2.....Minneapolis	Minnehaha, No. 165....Minneapolis
Winslow Lewis, No. 125....Osseo	Ark, No. 176.....Minneapolis
Plymouth, No. 160.....Minneapolis	Arcana, No. 187.....Minneapolis

## FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.

A. M. HAYES (35), Hastings, D. . D. . G. . M. .

St. Paul, No. 3.....St. Paul	Mt. Moriah, No. 35.....Hastings
Ancient Landmark, No. 5.....St. Paul	Newport, No. 118.....Newport
Dakota, No. 7.....Hastings	Braden, No. 168.....St. Paul

## FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.

M. L. COUNTRYMAN (163), St. Paul, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Summit, No. 163.....St. Paul	Triune, No. 190.....St. Paul
Shekinah, No. 171.....St. Paul	Mizpah, No. 191.....South St. Paul
Midway, No. 185.....St. Paul	Capital City, No. 217.....St. Paul

## SIXTEENTH DISTRICT.

G. M. SLAWSON (211), Graceville, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Appleton, No. 137.....Appleton	Traverse, No. 189.....Wheaton
Ortonville, No. 143.....Ortonville	Friendship, No. 211.....Graceville
Kodahya, No. 153.....Browns Valley	

## SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

HARRY L. D'ARMS (158), Hector, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Sunset, No. 109.....Montevideo	Hector, No. 158.....Hector
Granite, No. 117.....Granite Falls	Renville, No. 195.....Renville
Bird Island, No. 144.....Bird Island	Olivia, No. 220.....Olivia

## EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT.

E. E. SWAN (229), Stewart, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Hope, No. 42.....Glencoe	Guardian, No. 149.....Brownton
Temple, No. 59.....Hutchinson	Chaska, No. 151.....Chaska
Carver, No. 111.....Carver	Stewart, No. 229.....Stewart
Humboldt, No. 132.....Young America	Astra, No. 240.....Lester Prairie



## NINETEENTH DISTRICT.

G. O. ORR (31), Jordan, D. D. G. M.

King Hiram, No. 31.....Jordan	Nicollet, No. 54.....St. Peter
King Solomon, No. 44....Shakopee	Henderson, No. 80.....Henderson
Union, No. 45.....Le Sueur	Rough Ashlar, No. 177.Belle Plaine
Concord, No. 47.....Cleveland	

## TWENTIETH DISTRICT.

WM. R. CASWELL (91), Redwood Falls, D. D. G. M.

Antiquity, No. 91...Redwood Falls	Florence, No. 218.....Wood Lake
Marietta, No. 172.....Marietta	Wabasso, No. 245.....Wabasso
Geneva, No. 196.....Madison	Barto, No. 249.....Echo
Attaler, No. 202.....Dawson	Morton, No. 252.....Morton

## TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

D. M. KING (119), Marshall, D. D. G. M.

Delta, No. 119.....Marshall	Edgerton, No. 235.....Edgerton
Benton, No. 146.....Lake Benton	Equality, No. 238.....Minneota
Canby, No. 147.....Canby	Ruthon, No. 242.....Ruthon
Quarry, No. 148.....Pipestone	Coteau, No. 244.....Russell
St. Elmo, No. 204.....Jasper	Morality, No. 247.....Hendricks
Equity, No. 221.....Cottonwood	McKinley, No. 251.....Tyler

## TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

WM. J. McDONALD (136), Walnut Grove, D. D. G. M.

Keystone, No. 94.....Sleepy Eye	Zenith, No. 200.....Springfield
Charity, No. 98.....New Ulm	Sibley, No. 209.....Winthrop
Walnut, No. 136....Walnut Grove	Justice, No. 225.....Lamberton
Tracy, No. 155.....Tracy	Fides, No. 246.....Sanborn

## TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

JOHN KELLEY (114), Luverne, D. D. G. M.

Prudence, No. 97.....Windom	Fulda, No. 170.....Fulda
Fraternity, No. 101....Worthington	Roman Eagle, No. 175.....Adrian
Ben Franklin, No. 114....Luverne	Murray, No. 199.....Slayton
Currie, No. 142.....Currie	Columbian, No. 210....Heron Lake

## TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

C. ELLSWORTH (96), St. James, D. D. G. M.

Mankato, No. 12.....Mankato	Bethel, No. 103.....Lake Crystal
Madelia, No. 66.....Madelia	Josephus, No. 128.....Mapleton
Joppa, No. 76.....Good Thunder	Amboy, No. 193.....Amboy
Libanus, No. 96.....St. James	Vernon Center, No. 228.Ver. Center

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 TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

W. W. WOLD (90), Jackson, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Western Star, No. 26.....	Albert Lea	Good Faith, No. 90.....	Jackson
Blue Earth Vly, No. 27.....	Win. City	King David, No. 179.....	Elmore
Blue Earth City, No. 57.....	Blue Earth	Magnolia, No. 231.....	Sherburn
Chain Lake, No. 64.....	Fairmont	Lakefield, No. 250.....	Lakefield
Doric, No. 87.....	Wells		

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 TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

JOHN D. WAY, Jr. (48), Northfield, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Faribault, No. 9.....	Faribault	Cannon River, No. 52.....	Morristown
Sakatah, No. 32.....	Waterville	Corinthian, No. 67.....	Farmington
Oriental, No. 34.....	Cannon Falls	Elysian, No. 222.....	Elysian
Social, No. 48.....	Northfield		

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 TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

D. J. DODGE (124), Janesville, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Wilton, No. 24.....	Alma City	Tuscan, No. 77.....	Waseca
Star in the East, No. 33.....	Owatonna	Janesville, No. 124.....	Janesville

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 TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

E. WOODBURY (41), Zumbrota, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Red Wing, No. 8.....	Red Wing	Hermon, No. 41.....	Zumbrota
Wapahasa, No. 14.....	Wabasha	Tyrian, No. 86.....	Mazeppa
Mystic Tie, No. 37.....	Pine Island	Kellogg, No. 122.....	Kellogg
Carnelian, No. 40.....	Lake City		

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 TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

J. E. WHITNEY (11), Mantorville, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Mantorville, No. 11.....	Mantorville	Huram Abl, No. 83.....	Kasson
Rochester, No. 21.....	Rochester	Relief, No. 108.....	Dodge Center
Washington, No. 38.....	West Concord	Kenyon, No. 201.....	Kenyon

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 THIRTIETH DISTRICT.

GEORGE R. HALL (63), Plainview, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Harmony, No. 43.....	Lewiston	Ashler, No. 61.....	Eyota
Evergreen, No. 46.....	Clyde	Illustrious, No. 63.....	Plainview
Rising Sun, No. 49.....	St. Charles	Elgin, No. 115.....	Elgin
Meridian, No. 56.....	Chatfield		

## THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

H. M. McINTYRE (72), Lansing, D. D. G. M.

Fidelity, No. 39.....Austin	Prairie, No. 123..Bloomington
Lansing, No. 72.....Lansing	Alma, No. 131.....Lyle
Lafayette, No. 116.....Brownsdale	

## THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

W. A. NOLAN (121), Grand Meadow, D. D. G. M.

Pleasant Grove, No. 22..Pl't Grove	Grand Meadow, No. 121..Gd. M'd'w
Spring Valley, No. 58..Spring Valley	Stewartville, No. 203..Stewartville
Eureka, No. 75.....Le Roy	Dexter, No. 253.....Dexter
High Forest, No. 85..High Forest	

## THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

JACOB LARSON (194), Canton, D. D. G. M.

Hokah, No. 17.....Hokah	Orient, No. 84.....Money Creek
Preston, No. 36.....Preston	Lebanon, No. 102.....Lanesboro
Mystic Star, No. 69.....Rushford	Canton, No. 194.....Canton
Mystic Circle, No. 78.....Houston	

## THIRTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

WILL HAYES LAIRD (18), Winona, D. D. G. M.

Winona, No. 18.....Winona	Brownsville, No. 73....Brownsville
Caledonia, No. 20.....Caledonia	Pickwick, No. 110.....Pickwick
Morning Star, No. 29..La Crescent	

And the said District Deputy Grand Masters are authorized to perform the duties and exercise the powers pertaining to said office, within their respective districts, until the next annual communication of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Minnesota, unless otherwise ordered.

Dated this 14th day of March, A. D. 1903, A. L. 5903.

HENRY R. ADAMS,

*Grand Master.*

Attest:

THOMAS MONTGOMERY,

*Grand Secretary.*

## APPENDIX H.

## GRAND MASTERS AND GRAND SECRETARIES FOR 1903.

GRAND LODGE. (English Speaking)	NAME OF GRAND MASTER.	ADDRESS.	NAME OF GRAND SECRETARY.	ADDRESS.
Alabama.....	Robert J. Redden....	Sulligent.....	Geo. A. Beauchamp	Montgomery.
Arizona.....	Francis M. Zuck.....	Holbrook.....	G. J. Roskrug	Tucson.
Arkansas.....	John T. Hicks.....	Little Rock....	Fay Hempstead..	Little Rock.
Brit. Columbia	E. E. Chipman.....	Kaslo.....	R. E. Brett.....	Victoria.
California.....	O. S. Henderson....	Stockton.....	Geo. Johnson.....	San Francisco.
Canada.....	J. E. Harding.....	Lindsay.....	J. J. Mason.....	Hamilton, Ont.
Colorado.....	Marshall H. Dean....	Glenwood Spr's	W. D. Todd.....	Denver.
Connecticut...	Arthur C. Wheeler....	Norwalk.....	J. H. Barlow.....	Hartford.
Delaware.....	Harry J. Guthrie....	Wilmington...	E. F. Bartram....	Wilmington.
Dist. of Col...	George H. Walker....	Washington....	A. W. Johnston...	Washington.
England.....	Duke of Connaught..	London.....	Edw. Letchworth.	London.
Florida.....	James Carnell.....	Ormond.....	W. P. Webster....	Jacksonville.
Georgia.....	Max Meyerhardt....	Rome.....	W. A. Wolihin....	Macon.
Idaho.....	David F. Mason.....	Cour d'Alene...	T. W. Randall....	Boise.
Illinois.....	Geo. M. Moulton....	Chicago.....	J. H. C. Dill.....	Bloomington.
Indiana.....	James W. Dunbar....	New Albany....	C. W. Prather....	Indianapolis.
Indian Ter...	Royal J. Allen.....	Duncan.....	J. S. Marrow.....	Atoka.
Iowa.....	Willis S. Gardner....	Clinton.....	Newton R. Parvin.	Cedar Rapids.
Ireland.....	Duke of Abercorn...	Dublin.....	H. E. Flavelle, dep.	Dublin.
Kansas.....	Bestor G. Brown....	Topeka.....	A. K. Wilson.....	Topeka.
Kentucky.....	John W. Landrum....	Mayfield.....	H. B. Grant.....	Louisville.
Louisiana.....	Robert R. Reid.....	Amite City....	Richard Lambert.	New Orleans.
Maine.....	Alfred S. Kimball...	Norway.....	Stephen Berry....	Portland.
Maine.....	R. Hill Myers.....	Minnedosa....	James A. Ovas....	Winnipeg.
Maryland.....	Thos. J. Shryock....	Baltimore....	J. H. Medairy....	Baltimore.
Massachusetts	Baalis Sanford....	Brocton.....	S. D. Nickerson...	Boston.
Michigan.....	R. W. Broughton....	Paw Paw.....	J. S. Conover....	Coldwater.
Minnesota....	Henry R. Adams.....	Minneapolis...	Thos. Montgomery	St. Paul.
Mississippi...	Emmet N. Thomas...	Greenville....	Fredric Speed....	Vicksburg.
Missouri.....	John C. Vocum.....	Kansas City...	J. D. Vincil.....	St. Louis.
Montana.....	George T. Slack....	Fort Keough...	Cornelius Hedges.	Helena.
Nebraska.....	Nat'l M. Ayers.....	Beaver City...	F. E. White.....	Omaha.
Nevada.....	Alex. O. Percy.....	Gold Hill.....	C. N. Noteware...	Carson City.
N. Brunswick	Arthur I. Trueman...	Saint John....	J. T. Hartt.....	St. John.
N. Hampshire	Harry M. Cheney....	Lebanon.....	F. D. Woodbury...	Concord.
New Jersey...	W. Holt Apgar.....	Trenton.....	T. H. R. Redway..	Trenton.
New Mexico...	E. A. Cahoon.....	Roswell.....	A. A. Keen.....	Albuquerque.
N. So. Wales...	J. C. Remington....	Sidney.....	A. H. Brav.....	Sydney.
New York.....	Elbert Grandall....	Brooklyn....	E. M. L. Ehlers...	New York.
New Zealand.	Herbert J. Williams.	Wellington...	Malcolm Niccol...	Auckland.
Nor. Carolina	H. L. Clark.....	Scotland Neck.	J. C. Drewry....	Raleigh.
North Dakota	W. L. Stockwell....	Grafton.....	F. J. Thompson...	Fargo.
Nova Scotia...	L. B. Archibald....	Truro.....	Thos. Mowbray...	Halifax.
Ohio.....	W. A. Belt.....	Kenton.....	J. H. Bromwell...	Cincinnati.
Oklahoma.....	M. F. Stillwell....	Gray Horse...	J. S. Hunt.....	Stillwater.
Oregon.....	W. F. Butcher....	Baker City....	J. F. Robinson...	Eugene.
Pennsylvania	Edgar A. Tennis....	Philadelphia...	W. A. Sinn.....	Philadelphia.
P. Ewd. Island	Wm. R. Ellis.....	Port Hill.....	N. MacKelvie....	Summerside.
Quebec.....	Edson Pitch.....	Quebec.....	Will H. Whyte...	Montreal.
Rhode Island	Wm. Henry Scott....	Providence...	S. P. Williams...	Providence.
Scotland.....	James Hozler.....	Edinburgh....	David Reid.....	Edinburgh.
S. Australia...	Samuel J. Way.....	Adelaide....	J. H. Cunningham	Adelaide.
So. Carolina...	W. M. Whitehead...	Charleston...	Chas. Inglesby...	Charleston.
South Dakota	Frank A. Brown....	Aberdeen....	G. A. Pettigrew...	Flandreau.
Tasmania.....	C. E. Davies.....	Hobart.....	John Hamilton...	Hobart.
Tennessee....	E. P. McQueen....	London.....	J. B. Garrett....	Nashville.
Texas.....	W. M. Fly.....	Gonzales....	John Watson....	Houston.
Utah.....	Wm. J. Lynch.....	Salt Lake City.	Christopher Diehl.	Salt Lake City.
Vermont.....	Chas. W. Montague...	Woodstock....	Henry H. Ross...	Burlington.
Victoria.....	A. J. Peacock.....	Melbourne....	John Braim.....	Melbourne.
Virginia.....	H. Oscar Kerns....	Sutherland...	G. W. Carrington.	Richmond.
Washington...	John Arthur.....	Seattle.....	T. M. Reed.....	Olympia.
W. Australia	J. W. Hackett....	Perth.....		
West Virginia	Eli M. Turner.....	Morgantown...	G. W. Atkinson...	Wheeling.
Wisconsin....	D. McJ. Miller....	Oconomowoc...	W. W. Perry.....	Milwaukee.
Wyoming.....	C. N. Potter.....	Cheyenne....	W. L. Kuykendall.	Saratoga.

## APPENDIX I.

## REPRESENTATIVES OF GRAND LODGES.

To			FROM	
Name.	Residence.	State.	Name.	Residence.
Benj. F. Pope.....	Gadsden.....	Alabama.....	A. Brandenburg.....	Fergus Falls.
G. H. N. Luhrs.....	Phoenix.....	Arizona.....	T. J. Lombard.....	Hudson, Wis.
S. T. Rowe.....	Greenwood.....	Arkansas.....	Sheldon L. Frazer.....	Duluth.
Albert Kruger.....	Antwerp.....	Belgium.....	A. Brandenburg.....	Fergus Falls.
Chas. E. Tisdall.....	Vancouver.....	Brit. Columbia.....	R. H. Hartley.....	Minneapolis.
Samuel B. Hinckley.....	Riverside.....	California.....	D. M. Baldwin.....	Red Wing.
A. A. Stevenson.....	Montreal.....	Canada.....	E. W. Durant.....	Stillwater.
Henry M. Teller.....	Central City.....	Colorado.....	T. Montgomery.....	St. Paul.
Edmund Tweedy.....	Danbury.....	Connecticut.....	Chas. Griswold.....	St. Paul.
Carlos D. Scott.....	Havana.....	Cuba.....	Geo. R. Metcalf.....	St. Paul.
Chas. C. King.....	Newark.....	Delaware.....	Henry R. Denny.....	St. Paul.
C. W. Hancock.....	Washington.....	Dist. Columbia.....	J. D. Markham.....	Rush City.
J. W. Laurie, M. P.....	.....	England.....	T. Montgomery.....	St. Paul.
Angus Paterson.....	.....	Florida.....	Wm. P. Roberts.....	Minneapolis.
John D. Harrell.....	Bainbridge.....	Georgia.....	Wm. B. Patton.....	Duluth.
Reese Pickering.....	Genesee.....	Idaho.....	M. E. Powell.....	Redwood Falls.
Wm. Johnston.....	Chicago.....	Illinois.....	A. T. Stebbins.....	Rochester.
O. W. Brownback.....	Pendleton.....	Indiana.....	Wm. S. Combs.....	St. Paul.
F. H. Nash.....	Fort Gibson.....	Indian Territory.....	T. Montgomery.....	St. Paul.
Oliver Fry.....	Dublin.....	Ireland.....	Calvin L. Brown.....	Morris.
John C. Fry.....	Larned.....	Kansas.....	Chas. W. Nash.....	Minneapolis.
L. L. Schwartz.....	New Orleans.....	Louisiana.....	Henry R. Adams.....	Minneapolis.
John B. Redman.....	Ellsworth.....	Maine.....	H. C. Shepard.....	St. Paul.
Thos. W. Taylor.....	Winnipeg.....	Manitoba.....	John H. Abbott.....	Minneapolis.
.....	.....	Maryland.....	A. Brandenburg.....	Fergus Falls.
John Woodruff.....	Niles.....	Michigan.....	Henry R. Wells.....	Preston.
W. R. Montgomery.....	Cornersville.....	Mississippi.....	W. A. McGonagle.....	Duluth.
Howard Watson.....	St. Louis.....	Missouri.....	A. D. Countryman.....	Appleton.
Theo. Brantly.....	Helena.....	Montana.....	J. E. Finch.....	Hastings.
Alfred M. Oleson.....	Omaha.....	Nebraska.....	A. Marden.....	New Ulm.
R. A. Bulmer.....	Virginia.....	Nevada.....	Geo. R. Metcalf.....	St. Paul.
Thos. Walker, M. D.....	St. John.....	New Brunswick.....	Dav. W. Knowlton.....	Minneapolis.
A. S. Batchelor.....	Littleton.....	New Hampshire.....	Chas. G. Hinds.....	Shakopee.
Edwin Venable.....	Long Branch.....	New Jersey.....	H. M. Tusler.....	St. Paul.
Arthur Boyle.....	Santa Fe.....	New Mexico.....	Jacob A. Kiester.....	Blue Earth.
A. J. Scott.....	Sydney.....	New S. Wales.....	H. J. Peck.....	Shakopee.
John S. Denton.....	Jamaica.....	New York.....	I. B. B. Sprague.....	St. Paul.
Thos. A. Peterkin.....	Westport.....	New Zealand.....	Henry R. Wells.....	Preston.
P. D. Winston.....	Windsor.....	North Carolina.....	Jacob A. Kiester.....	Blue Earth.
Wm. A. Bentley.....	Bismarck.....	North Dakota.....	Wm. T. Ribby.....	Clear Water.
Charles R. Barr.....	Digby.....	Nova Scotia.....	Enoch Stott.....	Winona.
Ralph R. Rickley.....	Columbus.....	Ohio.....	Gid. S. Ives.....	St. Paul.
Wm. N. Anderson.....	Enid.....	Oklahoma Ter.....	A. T. Stebbins.....	Rochester.
G. L. Story.....	Portland.....	Oregon.....	Henry M. Tusler.....	St. Paul.
John D. Bell.....	Montague.....	Pr. Edward Id.....	Henry R. Adams.....	Minneapolis.
John P. Noyes.....	Sweetsburg.....	Quebec.....	T. Montgomery.....	St. Paul.
J. C. Champlin.....	Block Island.....	Rhode Island.....	A. D. Countryman.....	Appleton.
D. Murray Lyon.....	Edinburgh.....	Scotland.....	Irving Todd.....	Hastings.
Sam'l Henry Good.....	.....	South Australia.....	Henry R. Wells.....	Preston.
J. W. Ardrey.....	Fort Mill.....	South Carolina.....	Wm. A. Elliott.....	Minneapolis.
O. C. Berg.....	Redfield.....	South Dakota.....	Jacob A. Kiester.....	Blue Earth.
.....	.....	Tasmania.....	Henry M. Tusler.....	St. Paul.
.....	.....	Texas.....	Sam'l E. Adams.....	Minneapolis.
P. L. Williams.....	Salt Lake City.....	Utah.....	Chas. N. Akers.....	St. Paul.
Edwin Wheelock.....	Cambridge.....	Vermont.....	Edgar Nash.....	Minneapolis.
Dr. E. Hinchcliffe.....	Bendigo.....	Victoria.....	Thomas Morris.....	Crookston.
Wm. H. Pleasants.....	Hollins.....	Virginia.....	Chas. L. West.....	Austin.
Joseph A. Kuhn.....	Port Townsend.....	Washington.....	Geo. H. Davis.....	Mankato.
John D. Baines.....	Charleston.....	West Virginia.....	.....	.....
W. W. Perry.....	Madison.....	Wisconsin.....	.....	.....

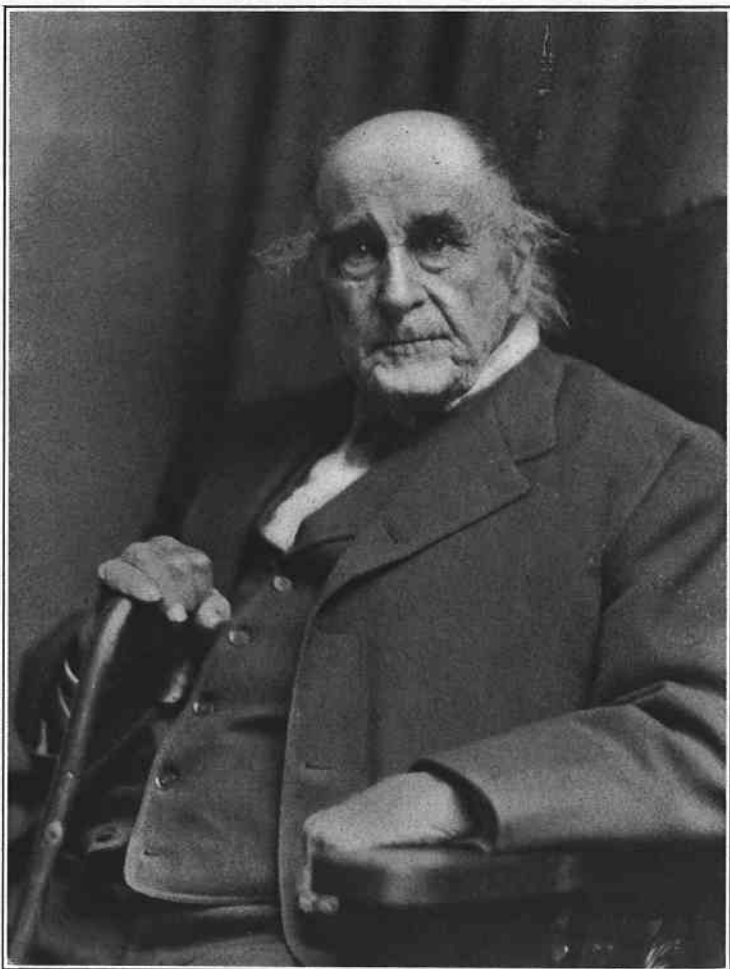
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*Fraternally yours*  
*J. M. C. Dunwell*

THE LAST SURVIVOR OF THE GRAND LODGE FOUNDERS.  
St. Paul Lodge.

Born in Pleasant Valley, Dutchess County, New York, August 13,  
1817. Raised March 20, 1850, in Mercer Lodge, No. 121,  
of Ohio. Now residing at Lewiston, Idaho.

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# THE GOLDEN JUBILEE

1903



## A CHRONICLE

....OF THE....

## Semi-Centennial Observance

....OF THE FOUNDING OF THE....

M.: W.: Grand Lodge of A.: F.: & A.: M.:  
OF MINNESOTA



Past and to come seems best; things present worst.—*Shakespeare.*

All that is human must retrograde if it do not advance.—*Gibbon.*

Time is a sort of river of passing events, and strong is its current; no sooner is a thing brought to sight than it is swept by, and another takes its place.—*Marcus Aurelius.*

EDITED FOR THE COMMITTEE BY GEORGE REUBEN METCALF, P.: M.:

Tuesday Evening, February 24, A. D. 1903, A.: L.: 5903

MASONIC HALL, ST. PAUL. MINN.

## THE OFFICIAL ROSTERS.

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A. E. AMES.....	Grand Master.....	A. D. COUNTRYMAN
AARON GOODRICH.....	Deputy Grand Master.....	H. R. ADAMS
D. F. BRAWLEY.....	Senior Grand Warden...	W. A. MCGONAGLE
A. VANVORHES.....	Junior Grand Warden.....	ENOCH STOTT
E. CASE.....	Grand Treasurer.....	D. W. KNOWLTON
J. G. LENNON.....	Grand Secretary.....	THOS. MONTGOMERY
.....	Grand Orator.....	W. C. MASTERMAN
J. S. CHAMBERLAIN...	Grand Chaplain.....	H. A. CHOUINARD
D. W. C. DUNWELL...	Senior Grand Deacon.....	H. M. TUSLER
D. B. LOOMIS.....	Junior Grand Deacon.....	J. D. CARROLL
A. T. C. PIERSON.....	Grand Marshal.....	TOM MORRIS
.....	Grand Standard Bearer.	H. W. HENDRICKSON
S. PARTRIDGE.....	Grand Sword Bearer.....	GUSTAF WIDELL
LOT MOFFET.....	Senior Grand Steward.....	C. L. SAWYER
C. W. BORUP.....	Junior Grand Steward.....	J. H. ANDERSON
H. N. SETZER.....	Grand Pursuivant.....	E. C. BAIRD
WM. HARTSHORN.....	Grand Tyler.....	C. J. KRUGER

## PAST GRAND MASTERS.

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|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. ALFRED E. AMES,* 1853-1854.   | 2. MOSES SHERBURNE,* 1855.         |
| 3. A. T. C. PIERSON,* 1856-1864. | 4. G. W. PRESCOTT, 1865-1866.      |
| 5. CHARLES W. NASH, 1867-1871.   | 6. GROVE B. COOLEY,* 1872.         |
| 7. CHARLES GRISWOLD, 1873-1875.  | 8. JAMES C. BRADEN,* 1876-1877.    |
| 9. EDWARD WHITE DURANT, 1878.    | 10. HENRY R. WELLS, 1879-1881.     |
| 11. CALEB H. BENTON,* 1882-1883. | 12. HENRY R. DENNY, 1884-1885.     |
| 13. ROYAL HATCH GOVE, 1886.      | 14. JOHN H. BROWN,* 1887-1888.     |
| 15. JACOB A. KIESTER, 1889-1890. | 16. ALPHONZO BARTO,* 1891-1892.    |
| 17. WILLIAM F. DICKINSON,* 1893. | 18. CALVIN L. BROWN, 1894-1895.    |
| 19. JAMES F. LAWLESS, 1896-1897. | 20. ALONZO T. STEBBINS, 1898-1899. |
| 21. ALONZO BRANDENBURG, 1900.    | 22. GIDEON SPRAGUE IVES, 1901.     |

\*Deceased.

## COMMITTEES.

### ON SEMI-CENTENNIAL OBSERVANCE.

GEORGE REUBEN METCALF, THOMAS CHALMERS CLARK,  
THOMAS MONTGOMERY, EDWIN JAMES FORSTER,  
EDWARD MORTIMER VANCLEVE.

## RECEPTION.

### *From St. John's Lodge, No. 1.*

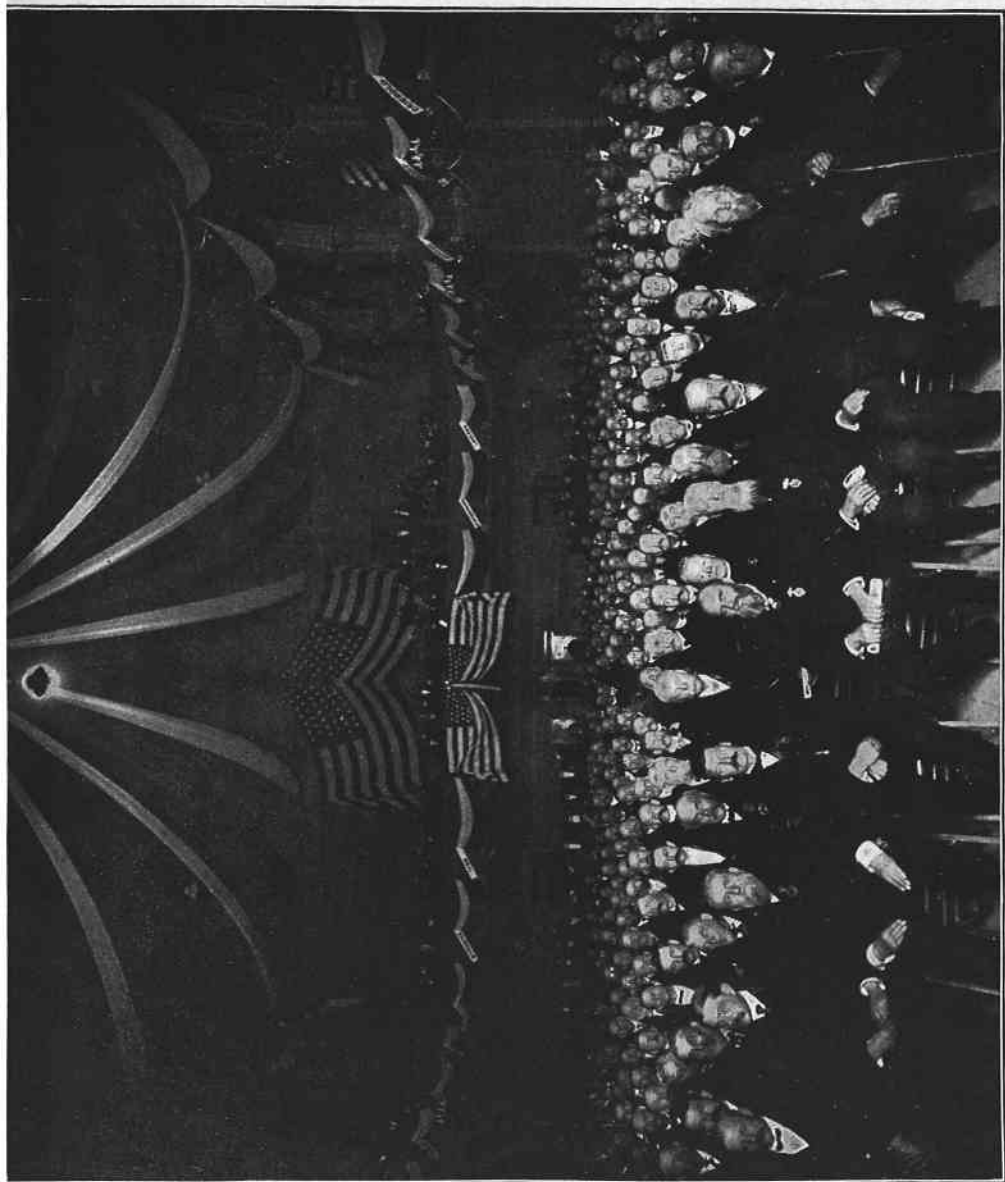
THOMAS H. WARREN, TISDALE E. FELLOWS, HIRAM T. KING,  
FRED A. LENOX, HORACE W. DAVIS.

### *From Cataract Lodge, No. 2.*

JOSEPH S. TODD, GEORGE P. SJOBLUM, EDWARD E. NICHOLSON,  
GEORGE H. TENNANT, FRANK L. GOWEN.

### *From St. Paul Lodge, No. 3.*

FREDERICK J. BANISTER, PAUL S. HENDRICKSON, OSWALD D. CURTIS,  
JAMES J. EARLEY, LUIS G. HOFFMANN.



Flash light picture taken at the Golden Jubilee of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Minnesota, held in Masonic Hall, St. Paul, February 24, 1903.



# 1853    **THE GOLDEN JUBILEE**    1903

**The M. . W. . Grand Lodge of A. . F. . & A. . M. .  
of Minnesota**

**Tuesday Evening, February 24, A. D. 1903, A. . L. . 5903  
Masonic Hall, St. Paul, Minn**

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What hath God wrought in half a century? In 1853, the Grand Lodge was organized in the third story of a little building on West Third street. With a limited capacity, and with squalid appurtenances, that Lodge room might have held, without crowding, all the Sons of the Light then in affiliation with the three Lodges of the Territory. On the evening of the Semi-Centennial Observance, hundreds of Master Masons filled every available nook and cranny of the most beautiful and spacious Masonic Hall in the Northwest.

Elaborately decorated, a mass of harmonious coloring from the panelled roof to the canvassed floor, "Old Glory" everywhere in evidence, the honored names of the thirteen Founders displayed in tablets on the two columns, flanking either side of the Grand East, over which there stood out

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in the colors of the Craft, escutcheons of blue, with the names of the Past Grand Masters on a white ground, banded by gold, and ranged in the order of their seniority on either side of the boxes of the gallery, sweeping around the three sides of the Hall, it presented a scene ever to be remembered. The Hall was thrown open at 7:15 o'clock, and until 8 o'clock, Selling's Orchestra discoursed an elaborate programme. Seats had

been reserved for members of the Grand Lodge and of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota up to within ten minutes of the hour of the beginning of the exercises. When the doors were opened to general admission, with a wave and a rush, the Hall was filled, and at 8 o'clock to a minute the Ceremonies of the Golden Jubilee had begun.

### ORDER OF EXERCISES.

Overture—"Zampa," by Herold.....Selling's Orchestra

◆ THE GRAND MASTER: Worshipful Grand Marshal, make proclamation.

THE WORSHIPFUL GRAND MARSHAL: By order and authority of the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons of the state of Minnesota, I do now command all persons here present to preserve silence and decorum during the ceremonies that are about to occur. This proclamation, I make once—twice—thrice, in the South, in the West, and in the East.



Responsive Readings.....W.'. Grand Chaplain and Brethren

#### PSALM C.

*Chaplain* 1. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.

*Brethren* 2. Serve the Lord with gladness; come before his presence with singing.

*Chaplain* 3. Know ye that the Lord, he is God; it is he that has made us, and not we ourselves, we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

*Brethren* 4. Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise, be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

*Chaplain* 5. For the Lord is good, his mercy is everlasting, and his truth endureth to all generations.

Music—Gloria Patri .....Orchestra

## PSALM CXXXIII.

- Chaplain* 1. Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren  
to dwell together in unity.
- Brethren* 2. It is like the precious ointment upon the head that ran  
down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard, that went  
down to the skirts of his garment.
- Chaplain* 3. As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended  
upon the mountains of Zion, for there the Lord com-  
manded the blessing, even life forevermore.

Music—Gloria Patri .....Orchestra

## PSALM CL.

- Chaplain* 1. Praise ye the Lord, praise God in his sanctuary, praise  
him in the firmament of his power.
- Brethren* 2. Praise him for his mighty acts, praise him according to  
his excellent greatness.
- Chaplain* 3. Praise him with the sound of the trumpet, praise him  
with the psaltery and harp.
- Brethren* 4. Praise him with the timbrel and dance, praise him with  
stringed instruments and organs.
- Chaplain* 5. Praise him upon the loud cymbals, praise him upon the  
high sounding cymbals.
- Brethren* 6. Let everything that hath breath, praise the Lord. Praise  
ye the Lord.

Music—Gloria Patri .....Orchestra

Prayer.....W. Grand Chaplain

## INVOCATION.

O Almighty and Everlasting God, unto whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known; the Giver of all good gifts, and the rewarder of all  
good deeds, incline Thine ear to the humble petition, the songs of  
praise, and thanksgiving raised to Thee, by grateful hearts, for the  
mercies and good providence, with which Thou has blessed and guided  
our efforts in the past.

We kneel before Thy throne, that we may render Thee homage  
for Thy special bounty vouchsafed us, the prosperity with which Thou  
hast endowed us, the years of life, and success, the growth from the  
simple beginning which tonight we commemorate, to the magnificent  
fraternity, now acknowledging Thee Creator and Preserver.

In the words of the song of the Psalmist, we come to Thee rejoicing, serving Thee with gladness, in the knowledge of Thy Power, and the Goodness we now behold. Praising Thee in thought, in deed, in fraternity and universal brotherhood, as our Guide and Benefactor.

We pray Thee O Most Merciful and Eternal Father, who of Thy most gracious goodness, hast accepted the devout and earnest efforts of eminent leaders and worthy members, and prospered this Order dedicated to the service of humanity, that Thou wilt continue Thy loving kindness towards us in the future, as Thou hast extended it in the past, and that, we also may continue to yield the fruits of our increase and charity, to Thy glory and the welfare of men.

And we most humbly beseech Thee, to grant to us all grace, that we may, throughout the future of our travels, along life's rugged way, obediently walk in Thy Holy Commandments, leading a quiet and exemplar life in all godliness and honesty, continually offering unto Thee, our sacrifice of praise, and Thanksgiving, for all Thy mercies vouchsafed to us. Guide us evermore in Thy good Providence. Watch over our Institution and make it always an instrument of Good, and with those who have gone before, with those who shall come after, reunite us, in that glorious Temple not made with hands, Eternal in the Heavens.

AMEN.

*So mote it be!*



Music—"The Festival March" from Tannhauser, Wagner...Orchestra

Address of Welcome.....M. W. Grand Master

*Dear Brethren:* To me has been assigned the honor and pleasure of extending to you a most cordial welcome to this anniversary occasion. When I say you are welcome, it is not a perfunctory word, to be used on all occasions, but spoken in all sincerity and truth.

It has ever been a custom among civilized peoples, to celebrate important events in the lives of noted men and of honorable institutions, according to the degree of importance attached to their existence and usefulness. So that it is most appropriate, that the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, having reached the fiftieth milestone of its progress, should pause for a moment upon the threshold of its second half century, and, briefly taking count of the achievements of the past, draw fresh inspiration for the work which lies before.

The Grand Lodge of Minnesota has grown from the mere handful of zealous and faithful brethren who gave it life, to an honorable institution of more than five hundred members, with a constituent membership of over 18,000, a growth, I venture to say, beyond the wildest dreams of those who assembled in that upper room here in

St. Paul fifty years ago to-day, and, after due deliberation, announced to the world that a new and independent Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons had been born, to take its place among sister Grand Lodges in the grand scheme of making men better, wiser and happier.

Minnesota was then almost *terra incognita*, and it must have seemed a desperate undertaking to plant Masonry in a soil apparently inhospitable, in a region of impenetrable forests, of trackless prairies, infested with savages and exposed to all the rigors of an arctic climate. But the founders of Masonry in this State had the courage born of faith in the great principles of our Fraternity, and wisely decided that the institution which they loved should go hand in hand with the fortunes of the new State.

For our fathers were state builders as well, and laid broad and deep the foundations of this great Commonwealth in which we take such pride; and it is not too much to say that the grandeur of our state to-day is due in no small measure to the fact that its founders were Masons, who built upon those sublime principles which they had learned around our sacred altar.

Although there have been times of depression, prosperity has attended the growth of the Grand Lodge, and peace, harmony and fraternity have prevailed during the past fifty years. Nor is this life and growth due to accident or fortunate combination of circumstances. It has survived and flourished because of the inherent soundness of the great principles upon which the institution of Masonry is founded. Masonry lives and will live because its fundamental principles all tend to the enlightenment, the elevation, the ennobling of the minds of men. Its foundation stones are the Fatherhood of God, the Brotherhood of Man and belief in the life to come, and upon this basis our glorious superstructure is erected. And so we have come to-night, to rejoice in its existence and to attest our loyalty and renewed devotion to its principles and precepts.

To all the brethren of other jurisdictions who are here to-night, we gladly extend a fraternal greeting and a most hearty welcome. The exercises prepared for this occasion will, we hope, be of pleasing interest to you, and we sincerely hope that in future days you may all look back with pleasant memories upon the Semi-centennial Anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

Again I bid you welcome.

#### RESPONSES.

The R. W. Grand Secretary announced that formal invitations had been sent to the Grand Masters and the Grand Secretaries of every English-speaking Grand Lodge with which



we were in fraternal relations, and that in reply, he had received letters of congratulation and regrets from twenty-six Grand Masters and nineteen Grand Secretaries. He then read brief extracts from several of the letters, and the full text of the responses from the Grand Master of Scotland, and from the Grand Secretary, and the Grand Master of England, His Royal Highness, the Duke of Connaught, the brother of His Majesty, the King.

Music—Novelette, "In a Cozy Corner," by Bratton.....Orchestra  
Historical Address.....W. Bro. George Reuben Metcalf

THE GRAND MASTER: *Brethren*—The next speaker is so well known to you that he really needs no introduction. To his unflagging zeal and untiring efforts the credit for the magnificent success of this celebration is almost entirely due. By his careful, painstaking research into the musty records of the past, he has brought to light such valuable, though forgotten, facts in the history of Minnesota Masonry as to have justly earned for himself the proud title of "Historian of the Grand Lodge." I have the honor and the pleasure to present to you Worshipful Brother George R. Metcalf.

*Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:*

The purpose of this address is to examine critically the official account of the organization of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, to record biographical sketches of its founders, and of its Grand Masters, and to review some of the episodes in the fifty years of its existence.

HINC ILLÆ LACRYMÆ.

To the old indictment against Procrastination as the thief of Time, a new count should be added. Procrastination is the despoiler of History. Had the suggestion urged upon the Grand Lodge in

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NOTE.—This contribution to Masonic history is designed to be a chronological catalogue of facts, from which the writers of fifty years hence, in possession of more facile and graceful pens, may draw material to elaborate the story of the origin, and first half century's growth of Grand Lodge Masonry in Minnesota. From the nature of the subject, any attempt at originality is precluded. While the primary object is to record their Masonic lives, and attainments, yet through the presentation of their portraits and brief details of their civil careers, some idea may be gained of what manner of men the leaders of Minnesota Masonry were. Information has been gathered from every conceivable source, and when

1869, which ended two years later in the appointment of a historiographer, been pushed to a fruitful conclusion, the historical sketch presented this evening, and especially its biographical portion, the result of months of investigation, would have been far more minute and accurate. Had even the opportunities that existed less than ten years ago been improved, an account of the founding of the Grand Lodge might have been recorded from the lips of several of the active participants in the events about to be discussed, and the time involved in gathering facts would have only amounted to a few hours. But the golden moment was allowed to pass, and the result, from the standpoint of history, was disastrous.

### RETROSPECT AND PROSPECT.

In February, 1853, the Governor of Minnesota Territory was exercising jurisdiction, nominally, at least, over an area out of which have been since carved not only our own State, but the greater portion of two other great Commonwealths. Save for a few white settlers, living for the most part in rude log cabins, along the banks of the Mississippi and on the shores of the St. Croix, the rest of this magnificent domain, stretching westward to the Missouri and northward to the British Possessions, was sparsely peopled by two or three independent tribes of savages, among which the writs of neither Federal nor Territorial courts were recognized and honored. To the east of the Father of Waters, and confined within the limits of a narrow section of the Territory, three flickering flames, kindled but a few

found has been utilized without any credit beyond this general acknowledgment. In it the quest of years is condensed. In a few instances the phraseology of the original documents has been employed. The dates given of degrees conferred outside the state have been verified in every instance where it has been possible through correspondence with Lodge and Grand Lodge Secretaries. In our Grand Lodge Proceedings many of these dates are either wanting or are erroneous. For the dates of degrees conferred in Minnesota, the Register of the Grand Lodge has been followed. In such investigations the patience of our Grand Secretary has been unquestionably severely tried, but it has always stood the strain. The portraits of the founders of the Grand Lodge are the fruits of a search covering months. They are reproduced from photographs, in most instances, yellow, faded, taken thirty or more years ago, and from the only ones known to exist. These are the causes of their imperfection, and yet even the worst among them is better than none. That of Father Pierson is of historic interest, and, in spite of its marked defects, his wife pronounces it to be the best representation of him she has ever seen, perpetuating, as it does, certain and well-known peculiarities of posture and expression. The original was presented to the Grand Lodge, October 28, 1858, by Brother J. E. Martin. Brother Dunwell's portrait is from a photograph taken for the occasion, within the last few weeks.

The portraits of the Grand Masters are good, bad and indifferent. With all the improvements in the Art of to-day, a good photogravure cannot be reproduced from a poor photograph. The portraits of Sherburne and Braden are copies of copies of copies and extremely unsatisfactory. Nothing better, however, could be found. As a rule, the acts of Grand Masters, such as laying of corner stones, dedication of Masonic Lodges, Halls, etc., recorded in the Proceedings, are unnoticed. This historical sketch is designed to supplement, not to duplicate, the Proceedings. It may be superfluous to state that a mere epitome of the sketch was read at the Golden Jubilee.

GEORGE REUBEN METCALF.

months previously, and only kept from complete extinguishment through the earnest struggles of a handful of Craftsmen, were casting a feeble light on three humble Masonic altars. Over the rest of this vast region Masonic darkness brooded.

Fifty years have come and gone! As this great company has gathered to listen to the story of the strenuous labors and untiring devotion of the Masonic fathers who founded, and of their successors who have perpetuated, the M. W. Grand Lodge of Minnesota, the power of imagination is almost overwhelmed in endeavoring to comprehend that the territorial jurisdiction of the three struggling Lodges of 1853 is now occupied by three Grand Lodges, which have chartered and have governed four hundred and forty-four Symbolic Lodges; that the less than a hundred affiliated Master Masons of 1853 (to be exact, the eight members of St. John's Lodge at Stillwater, the forty-nine of Cataract Lodge at St. Anthony, and the twenty-seven of St. Paul Lodge at the Capital City) have grown into a mighty host, and in 1903, according to the latest statistics of the Grand Lodges of Minnesota and of the two Dakotas, there have been registered on their respective rosters upwards of fifty-six thousand Sons of the Widow, each the Masonic equal and Masonic peer of every Mason, no matter to what Rite he may belong or to what degree he may have attained, or where he may be sojourning on the broad surface of the Globe.

#### SIT LUX ET LUX FUIT.

An exhaustive and detailed discussion of how Masonry secured a foothold in St. Paul in 1849, in Stillwater in 1850, and in St. Anthony in 1852, is not within the scope of this address. The facts are of record in the Proceedings of the Semi-Centennial Observances of the three original Lodges of the State. So much only of the history of the three Lodges will be repeated as shall be necessary to elucidate the story of the organization of the Grand Lodge fifty years ago to-day.

#### ST. PAUL LODGE, NO. 223, OF OHIO.

After two preliminary meetings of the Craftsmen in St. Paul, of which no record remains, a third was held on July 16, 1849, when it was determined that a petition for a dispensation should be signed by the participants, praying the Grand Master of Ohio to grant them power to open a Lodge and to make Masons. On August 8, 1849, M. W. Brother Kreider of Ohio forwarded to Charles Kilgore Smith and eleven others a dispensation which was received in St. Paul during the latter part of the month, and in the office of the Territorial Secretary, located in the old Central House on Bench Street, the dispensation was read and a Lodge of Freemasons was duly and legally organized and instituted, September 8, 1849. At that meeting

the petition of Charles Peter Scott was received. He was initiated September 17th; the crafting of David Burt Loomis occurred October 17th; and Scott was raised October 24th; and these, then, are the respective dates of the first exemplifications of the three degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry in Minnesota. For the next three years St. Paul Lodge worked with spasmodic irregularity, having neglected, through the senseless bickerings of its own members, no less than three opportunities to have made returns to the Grand Lodge of Ohio and to have secured a Charter, which, in fact, was not granted until October 22, 1852, and which, owing to a tardy compliance with certain and requisite formalities, was not issued until January 24, 1853.

Between the dates of its institution and its constitution, February 7, 1853, as St. Paul Lodge, No. 223, of Ohio, the Lodge had raised twenty to the sublime Degree of Master Mason, and had conferred one or more degrees on seven other petitioners.

#### ST. JOHN'S LODGE, NO. 39, OF WISCONSIN.

Among the twenty raised, two of the earliest were residents of Stillwater, and to them and to certain other Masons who were living in the valley of the St. Croix was issued a dispensation by the Grand Master of Wisconsin, October 12, 1850. The result was the organization of the second Lodge in Minnesota, under the name of St. John's Lodge. The Lodge was chartered June 9, 1852, and was duly constituted October 23, 1852, as No. 39 of the Wisconsin registry. From its organization to its constitution and afterwards it was *nomen et præterea nihil*, for its records show that it did not confer a degree during that period, and it was not until January 29, 1853, less than a month preceding its participation in the organization of the Grand Lodge, that its first petitioner, Theodore E. Parker, was elected and initiated. He was crafted February 5, 1853, but he was not raised (and his raising was the first) until August 3, 1853, more than five months after the Lodge had become a subordinate of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

#### CATARACT LODGE, NO. 121, OF ILLINOIS.

The evolution of Freemasonry at St. Anthony presented a notable contrast to that of St. Paul and Stillwater. Brother A. E. Ames arrived at the Falls October 12, 1851, and the founding of a Lodge in that locality was largely due to his efforts. From the very first he knew what he wanted, and how to transmute, in the most expeditious manner, his wishes and plans into solid results. A memorandum, in his own hand, is the authority for the statement that "during November, 1851, he had visited and had examined Masonically each prospective member of the proposed Lodge. On December 13, 1851, all these Brethren, with the exception of Captain Gardner, afterwards a Major General of the U. S. Army, had met at Dr. Ames' office and

had signed a petition for a dispensation. Soon thereafter St. Paul Lodge had recommended it." The dispensation was dated February 5, 1852, and was issued by the Grand Master of Illinois. Nine days later the Lodge was instituted at the residence of one of its members, whose wife, tradition declares, acted as Tyler on that occasion.

At that, the first Communication, sixteen petitions were received, and up to the time the Lodge was chartered it had deliberated upon the merits of forty-two applicants, had initiated thirty-five, had passed thirty-one and thirty had been inducted into all the mysteries of Ancient Craft Masonry. The Lodge was chartered October 5th, and was constituted October 21, 1852, as Cataract Lodge, No. 121, of Illinois, and the first Worshipful Master and corps of officers ever installed in Minnesota were then conducted to their several stations under the ceremonial direction of the constituting official Past Master, Emanuel Case.

#### GRAND LODGE FIRST MOOTED.

The first intimation of an intention to found a Grand Lodge in Minnesota came to light on the evening of February 7, 1853, when Brother A. T. C. Pierson, acting as proxy for the Grand Master of Ohio, constituted St. Paul Lodge, No. 223, of Ohio, installed its officers, and was subsequently himself elected a member of the Lodge. The constitution of St. Paul Lodge rendered complete the minimum number of Lodges necessary to form a legal Grand Lodge, and no legitimate action with such an end in view could have previously occurred. Now, however, no time was to be lost. Later in the evening Pierson moved the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

"*WHEREAS*, It is the opinion of the members of this Lodge that the interest of Freemasonry demands that a Grand Lodge in and for the Territory of Minnesota should be organized at as early a date as possible, therefore

"*Resolved*, That the first three officers and those recognized as Past Masters, members of this Lodge, are hereby authorized to meet with delegates from the other two Lodges in this Territory, and, if deemed expedient, to forthwith organize a Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons for Minnesota.

"*Resolved*, That the Secretary be requested to send a certified copy of the preamble and resolutions to Cataract Lodge, at St. Anthony Falls, and to St. John's Lodge, at Stillwater, and request them by their delegates to meet in St. Paul on Wednesday evening, February 23d, to carry the same into effect."

That the Secretary of the Lodge followed instructions is probable, yet it is a singular fact that neither the records of St. John's Lodge nor those of Cataract Lodge note the reception of such a communication, nor is there any hint in the records of those Lodges that resolutions were ever adopted authorizing delegates to be appointed and to attend a Convention and to take part in the organization of a Grand



Lodge. While an explanation of this seeming remissness in the case of St. John's Lodge will hereafter appear, the omission on the part of Cataract Lodge is as yet unexplainable, unless it should be charged to the negligence of its Secretary, a negligence which, in far too many instances during the early days of Minnesota Lodges, has caused their historians bitter regrets.

#### AS TO THE ACCURACY OF THE RECORDS.

The reprint of the Proceedings, published by the Grand Lodge in 1869, differs only in a few points from the original issue of 1853. Both are equally at fault, and both contain numerous errors of fact. From the beginning until as late as 1897 the Seal itself of the Grand Lodge bore on its face a glaring inaccuracy.

Since the real purpose of history is to ascertain and to record the exact truth, the statement which is to follow will conclusively prove that, while there is no doubt a number of Masons, members of the three Lodges then chartered in Minnesota Territory, met in St. Paul on Wednesday evening, February 23, 1853, that meeting must be looked upon as an absolutely informal one, since it had no power to organize a Grand Lodge, as only two Lodges of the necessary three were legally represented on the floor of the so-called Convention.

#### A MINNESOTA LODGE ROOM IN 1853.

From an 1853 point of view, words are scarcely adequate to describe the luxury of the quarters in which the Convention assembled! The official record says it was "in the Lodge Room of St. Paul, No. 1." The attic of the old St. Paul House, the first Hall of the St. Paul Lodge, with its mural decorations of undressed tamarack rafters and log wainscoting, had been long abandoned. Since then the Lodge had drifted from pillar to post, and for weeks or months at a time the material evidences of its existence had been relegated to the limited recesses of a single trunk. Stimulated, however, by the prospects of a charter, and ambitious to have a permanent home, late in the year 1852 the Lodge had secured a Hall in the upper story of the Farrington Building, located on the south side of St. Anthony street (now West Third street), between Franklin and Exchange streets. The building was a three-storied brick structure, erected in 1851, and destroyed by fire a few years later. It was the first brick building constructed for commercial purposes in the Northwest. The Hall itself was a wonder! It was actually lathed and plastered! It was reached by stairs, entering a small room on the street end of the building, and off this room was another, about ten feet square, which was used as an ante-room. The East of the Hall was towards the south. The nail kegs for officers' seats and barrels for their pedestals, in use in 1849, had been replaced by chairs and pedestals of pine. The old packing

box altar had disappeared, but the new pine board substitute was still hidden beneath the plain blue cloth covering which a hardly-to-be-justified extravagance in the early days of the Lodge had secured for the purpose at an expense of two dollars. A row of wooden benches was placed on either side of the Hall for the convenience of the brethren. Cheap paper shades shut out the eyes of the profane. Of a carpet no one had ever dreamed. A year later, when Minnesota Chapter began its career in a building of similar name, a few doors higher up the street, its members were inflated with unspeakable, and, in the opinion of those of St. Paul Lodge, malicious pride, through the possession of a plain ingrain carpet and smoking sperm oil lamps, instead of tallow dips in tin sconces, which in the evening hours of the Convention had made darkness visible.

### THE PRELIMINARY ORGANIZATION.

The records say:

"The Convention was called to order by A. T. C. Pierson of St. Paul Lodge, and organized by the appointment of A. E. Ames as President and A. T. C. Pierson Secretary.

The following Delegates presented their credentials, and were duly received as regular Delegates to the Convention, having power from their several Lodges to form a Grand Lodge of Free Masons within the Territory of Minnesota, if deemed expedient:

*From St. Paul Lodge, No. 1.*

D. F. BRAWLEY, *W. M.*

D. W. C. DUNWELL, *S. W.*

LOTT MOFFET, *J. W.*

P. M. AARON GOODRICH and A. T. C. PIERSON.

*From St. John's Lodge, No. ... (Stillwater).*

DR. HOYTY, as proxy for F. K. BARTLETT, *W. M.*

H. N. SETZER, *S. W.*

D. B. LOOMIS, as proxy for WM. HOLCOMB, *J. W.*

*From Cataract Lodge, No. 168\* (St. Anthony).*

A. E. AMES, *W. M.*

D. M. COOLBAUGH, *S. W.*

C. T. STEARNS, *J. W.*

P. M. E. CASE."

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\*It should have been recorded as No. 121 of Illinois; St. John's Lodge as No. 39 of Wisconsin; St. Paul Lodge as No. 223 of Ohio.

As far as St. John's Lodge's delegation was concerned, both as to its actual presence and its legality, the matter will be hereafter examined.

"A. T. C. Pierson offered the following Resolution, which was unanimously adopted by the Convention:

*Resolved*, That it is the deliberate opinion of this Convention that the permanent good of Masonry demands the formation of a Grand Lodge for Minnesota.

Judge AARON GOODRICH, of St. Paul Lodge, offered the following Resolution, which was unanimously adopted.

*Resolved*, That we proceed to the preliminaries for the formation of a Grand Lodge, by the appointment of a Committee to draft a Constitution and Regulations for the Government thereof, and that said Committee be requested to report to this Convention on to-morrow.

The President of the Convention appointed Judge AARON GOODRICH, of St. Paul Lodge, Hon. D. B. LOOMIS, of St. John's Lodge, Stillwater, and E. CASE, of Cataract Lodge, St. Anthony, such Committee.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned until to-morrow (Thursday) afternoon, at 2 o'clock."

### THE NARRATIVE OF SETZER.

At the Annual Feast of the Masonic Veteran Association, January 16, 1895, Henry Nolan Setzer was a guest. Primarily he was present to give an account of the founding of the Grand Lodge. His intellectual powers were not impaired, and his story was of the greatest possible interest. Unfortunately his address was not written, and still more unluckily, no stenographer was present. Had it not been for the foresight of the R. W. Grand Secretary, the matters in detail which Setzer discussed would have been forgotten, but in response to a letter requesting him to place his facts in form for future reference he replied, under date of February 14, 1895. His narrative anent the regularity of the first day of the Convention and the *status* of the representatives from St. John's Lodge is as follows:

After stating that he *presumed* Bro. Bartlett, W. M. of St. John's Lodge, had given a proxy to Bro. Dr. Hoyt, who resided at Hudson and had not met with the Lodge for months, and that he *presumed* Bro. Loomis, who was then a member of the Territorial Council and was staying at St. Paul, held a proxy from Bro. Holcomb, the J. W. of the Lodge, he continued:

"If you will remember that St. Paul Lodge had only received its Charter at the end of January, 1853, and that it required three Lodges to form a Grand Lodge, you will see the importance of the fact that none of the four [principals or proxies] had met with the Lodge after that event. They were necessarily ignorant of any action of St. John's Lodge. They met the Convention only as proxies for their principals. On the first day of the Convention Dr. Hoyt and Bro. Loomis were there, but St. John's Lodge had not authorized any action in regard

to the formation of a Grand Lodge; in fact, it had not received any communication in that respect, hence the Lodge was not represented the first day. *I myself, as S. W., was not present the first day, although the report falsely states so.* On the evening of the 22d I received a letter, signed by the Masters of Cataract and St. Paul Lodges, attested by the Secretaries, requesting St. John's Lodge to join them in Convention to form a Grand Lodge. I had no time to call a meeting of the Lodge on that evening (22d), but I called the meeting the next day, for the evening of the 23d. I myself, as S. W., occupied the E. and laid the communication of St. Paul and Cataract Lodges before the Lodge. There was considerable doubt among the brethren as to the advisability of forming a Grand Lodge with only three lodges.

Bro. Van Vorhes called attention to the fact that the Grand Lodge would be unable to control a subordinate Lodge by arresting its Charter, as thereby it would commit *felo de se*. Bro. Partridge thought we ought to be satisfied with our own Grand Lodge (Wisconsin) and not to try experiments with others. But it is unnecessary to repeat objections.

At last a resolution passed unanimously authorizing the Master and Wardens of St. John's Lodge to meet the other Lodges in Convention, and if they should find it for the benefit of Masonry in general, and not affecting the interests of St. John's Lodge in particular, they were empowered to surrender their Charter and to accept authority from the Grand Lodge of Minnesota when founded.

With this authority, I went over (to St. Paul) on the 24th and met in Convention.

Suffice it to say, while St. John's Lodge was unrepresented the first day, the second day the Lodge was represented, and the surrender of the Charter was a lawful act. The Grand Lodge was legally formed."

This narrative shows by what a close margin even the second day's proceedings and the entire work of the Convention had escaped a complete *fiasco*.

The action and presence of Setzer proved its salvation and rendered it possible and lawful to found the Grand Lodge.

## THE SECOND DAY OF THE CONVENTION.

Whatever may have been said of the legality of the proceedings of the first day of the Convention, there is no question as to the regularity of what followed on its reassembling at 2 P. M., February 24, 1853. That the active promoters of the Grand Lodge were in a state of disagreeable suspense during the recess may be easily imagined. Goodrich and Ames were too well versed in Masonic law not to know that until St. John's Lodge was legally represented their work, if continued and completed, would not receive the sanction of other Grand Lodges, and recognition would be refused. But now Setzer was in his place and was fortified by the action of his Lodge on the preceding evening. The standing of Loomis and Hoyt had been confirmed, and as the sequel shows, Abraham Van Vorhes was unquestionably present as an additional delegate from St. John's Lodge. Consequently, when a Lodge was opened in (on) the Third Degree, and the roll

was called, each delegate was present, and the three Lodges necessary to form a Grand Lodge were, each and all, for the first time, regularly and legitimately represented and empowered to take such action as their collective wisdom should deem expedient for the best interests of Minnesota Masonry.

The official records do not indicate that any backward steps were taken. The legal defects of the first day's proceedings, if considered at all, were evidently, in the light of the regularity of those of the second, regarded as immaterial.

The first and essential move was the report of the Committee, to which had been entrusted the duty of drafting a Constitution. From internal evidence and documentary testimony, as well, it appears to have been largely, if not entirely, the work of the Chairman, Judge Aaron Goodrich. It was a masterly production, consisting of five Articles, each made up of numerous Sections. It presented, in addition, nine Rules of Order and three Standing Resolutions. It was brief, concisely worded, easy to comprehend, and certainly broad enough to cover practically every question liable to arise in the government of an infant Jurisdiction of only a few Lodges.

Following the report, on motion, the Constitution, Regulations and Resolutions were read and each section was unanimously adopted.

Goodrich then moved "that this Convention proceed to the completion of the organization of a Grand Lodge by the election of Grand Officers for the ensuing year.

Adopted.

There were elected:

Alfred Elisha Ames.....	Grand Master.
Aaron Goodrich.....	Deputy Grand Master.
Daniel Franklin Brawley.....	Senior Grand Warden.
Abraham Van Vorhes.....	Junior Grand Warden.

The remainder of the officers, by the provisions of the newly adopted Constitution, were appointed by the Grand Master elect. They were:

P. M. E. Case, of St. Anthony.....	G. T.
J. Geo. Lennon, ".....	G. S.
D. W. C. Dunwell, St. Paul.....	S. G. D.
Hon. D. B. Loomis, Stillwater.....	J. G. D.
S. Partridge, ".....	G. S. B.
P. M. A. T. C. Pierson, St. Paul.....	G. M.
H. N. Setzer, Stillwater.....	G. P.
Rev. J. S. Chamberlain, St. Anthony.....	G. C.
Lot Moffet } St. Paul.....	G. S.
C. W. Borup }	
Wm. Hartshorn.....	G. T.

If there are any Masonic politicians present who conceive a Grand Lodge to be simply a machine created to assure a certain number of



Masons an opportunity to be elected, or to be appointed to official positions, surely they must consider 1853 to have been the Golden Age of Minnesota Masonry, and that they themselves were born fifty years too late! There were more official positions to fill than there were members to fill them, and the difficulty was only obviated by appointing outsiders to the various chairs.

St. John's Lodge was represented on the new roster by four, Cataraact Lodge by five, while St. Paul Lodge rejoiced in the possession of six, official honors.

#### THE GRAND LODGE OPENED.

The Grand Lodge of Minnesota was then opened, and six of its officers, the Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, the two Grand Wardens and the Treasurer and Secretary were installed by Brother Andrew Jackson Morgan, a virtual Past Master of an Ohio Chapter, after which they severally repaired to their stations.

"The Secretary of the Convention being superseded by the Grand Secretary, the Grand Master proclaimed the election of the Grand Officers and that the Grand Lodge of Minnesota was duly and legally organized."

#### ESTO PEPETUA!

The Grand Lodge, then, was an accomplished fact; for, in that dreary Lodge Room, half lighted by the rays of the waning sun of a winter afternoon, a new Masonic power had come into existence under conditions established by the Mother Grand Lodge of England, at the old Goose and Gridiron Tavern in St. Paul's Church-Yard, on St. John Baptist's Day, in the third year of King George I., A. D. 1717. The splendor of its present surroundings and its growth of fifty years have added nothing to the dignity of its early simplicity. It was then, as now, the compeer of every Grand Lodge in the world. From that hour until the present it has been, and, to quote the words of one of Minnesota's most eminent Grand Masters, "It is the supreme governing power of Craft Masonry within its territorial jurisdiction, and has supreme authority over all Lodges and Masons of the jurisdiction, and exercises legislative, executive and judicial functions. It is the sun, the light, and life-giving power of the entire Masonic system (of the State), and holds within its far-reaching control and influence, as by the law of attraction, everything within its proper orbit pertaining to legitimate Masonry; and, but for this central body, to pursue the simile, all that is known as Masonry to-day would be dispersed and wrecked in darkness and illimitable space."

#### WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN A BONE OF CONTENTION.

Only one other matter of interest came before the Grand Lodge, and that was the numbering and relative rank of the three Lodges.

Luckily precedents had been long in existence to guide its action, otherwise the debate on the question would have, in all probability, lasted until to-day! If the Lodges were to have been numbered according to age of organization, then St. Paul Lodge would have been No. 1, and St. John's Lodge, No. 2. If the greatest amount of work accomplished, the ordinary though mendacious standard of success, the largest in numbers and the first to be regularly constituted and its officers duly installed, had determined its action, Cataract Lodge had no rival, and would have deserved the primacy. It was a motion by Setzer, made in accordance with Masonic usage, that the dates of the Charters should determine their priority, which settled the matter to the satisfaction, at least, of those who were instructed in Masonic law. In harmony with this resolution, the Grand Secretary, by the authority of the Grand Lodge, was required to issue charters without fee, to St. John's Lodge as No. 1, Cataract Lodge as No. 2, and St. Paul Lodge as No. 3. Thanks to the protecting care of the Grand Architect of the Universe and to the final sense of justice of the Grand Lodge, these three Lodges, the living corner stones of the Grand Lodge itself, are still active, prosperous and yearly growing into a new and greater usefulness under the warrants that were granted them a half century ago.

Such was, and is, the building!

#### WHO WERE THE BUILDERS?

"Freemasonry," said an American Masonic sage, "is too little concerned to preserve the memories of those who have been distinguished in its services, and with too great facility permits them to become forgotten and unregarded as the leaves that the autumnal frosts send down in showers from the trees." While avoiding such condemnation in considering the founders of the Grand Lodge, yet it may be safely asserted, from what is known of them, and of their lives, that they were neither saints nor statesmen. They were the plain, average representatives of the brawn and brain of the Republic; they were conspicuous among the advanced guards of the irresistible army of civilization which was destined in less than five decades to transform the Territorial wilderness into the populous and opulent State. Many of them—practically all of them—had been born in poverty, cradled in want and educated in the best of all schools, that of adversity. At their graduation, the Baccalaureate admonition had been confined to the limits of a single sentence, "Work or starve!" Instead of diplomas, couched in the fulsome phrases of a dead language, they had been presented with an axe and a rifle, and with these for working tools they had gone forth to conquer an empire and to lay the corner stone of a new commonwealth. Some of them had steered flat boats down the Ohio and had poled them up the Mississippi. Others

had delved in the galena mines of Wisconsin or had panned for gold in the river gravels of California. Many had cut down the pines of the Minnesota forests, and with their own hands had fashioned them into rude shelters for themselves and families. In politics they were partizans of the deepest dye, and had sworn eternal fealty to the memory of Andrew Jackson or Henry Clay. As to their religious creed, it might have been expressed in three words, *Laborare est orare*.

In such broad lines their collective careers may be sketched. Individually their lives are worthy of close examination, and in their final results refute the truth of the proverb, that rolling stones gather no moss.

First and foremost, and in previous Masonic work and experience—head and shoulders above them all was the President of the Convention,

**ALFRED ELISHA AMES,**

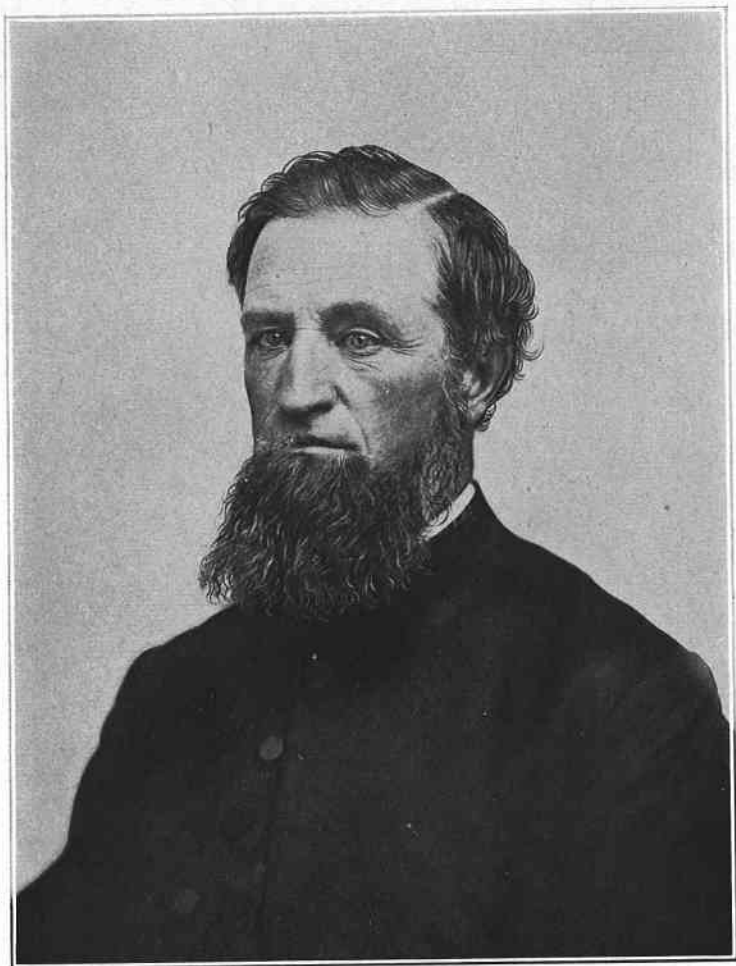
First Grand Master.

1853-1854.

This distinguished brother had been a member of the Fraternity for nearly thirteen years when he was elected to preside over the new Jurisdiction. While in Illinois he was initiated and passed, March 4th, 1840, in Joliet Lodge, U. D., then working under the Grand Lodge of Missouri, and on the following day he was raised a Master Mason. In the twelve years that had elapsed before his active work of organizing Cataract Lodge he had been a veritable creator of Masonic Lodges. Not only had he been Worshipful Master and organizer of Belvedere, Rockton, Roscoe and Rockford Lodges in Illinois, but he had assisted in the working of Lodges at Springfield and Chicago, as well as at Beloit, Wisconsin.

The career of Grand Master Ames, beginning as a poor boy on a New England farm, continued in the varied callings he had followed until he had trained himself to practice the profession he loved and adorned, was so typical of that of others of the founders of the Grand Lodge, as well as of thousands of Masons whose early and successful struggles with adverse fortune have made Minnesota great and powerful, that a detailed account of it will illuminate the process of the transformation of the Northwest.

Alfred Elisha Ames, the son of Billy and Phoebe Ames, was born on a farm in a little town known as Colchester, in the northwest corner of Vermont, December 13, 1814. He was a frail boy, and for years the promise of his reaching maturity was slight. Up to his seventeenth year he had had the opportunity of attending school but a few months. In 1831, with his father and family, he moved to Orwell, Ohio, where he turned his attention to the prosaic work of making bricks. That trade, however, was only a "pot-boiler," but it stood him in hand several times in after life, when closely pushed for means



*Fraternally &c.*

*A. L. Ames.*

A FOUNDER OF THE GRAND LODGE.

Cataract Lodge.

THE FIRST GRAND MASTER.

1853-1854.

Died September 23, 1874.

to continue his education. In 1834 he began to teach school. September 28, 1836, he was married, and in the following month he started with his bride for Illinois, having for the objective point Chicago, then a village of only three thousand souls, and of these half or more were of Indian blood. It presented so little attraction to the new comer that he pushed westwardly along an Indian trail for sixty-five miles and took up a claim of a quarter section at a place now called Garden Prairie. There he built a log house, and for something better to do during the succeeding fall and winter, for work he fenced in ten acres, and for recreation he wrote an arithmetic. In April, 1837, an offer from Chicago to make bricks at fifty-two dollars a month was an inducement too attractive to be declined, and in this occupation he continued until summoned to the death bed of his father in the following summer. In the winter he followed the indigenous trade of Illinois, the splitting of rails. While it did not make him President, it did have the customary effect, judging from what followed.

His thoughts were directed to politics, for soon thereafter, with his pack on his back, he tramped across the country to the capital, and through the introduction and influence of Stephen A. Douglas he was appointed, at what seemed to him a munificent salary, deputy to the Secretary of State, and within a brief period private secretary to the Governor. When Douglas was elected Secretary of State, Ames was his deputy and again private secretary to the Governor.

In the fall of 1840 he commenced the study of medicine at Rush College, Chicago, and in the summer of 1841 he continued his studies in the office of a physician at Belvedere and engaged to some little extent in practice.

In August, 1842, he was elected a member of the Illinois House of Representatives, and March 30, 1843, he was commissioned Postmaster at Belvedere, which position he resigned July 1, 1844, having moved to Roscoe and having commenced the practice of medicine in that town. He was Postmaster as well. He graduated in medicine in February, 1845. He was State Senator in 1849, and was Paymaster General on the Governor's Staff.

While Illinois had proved a successful field to the young physician from an educational and political standpoint, it had not been equally promising to him physically. During all of these years his health had been poor, and it was this fact that had turned his attention to the salubrious soil beneath the sunny skies of Minnesota. Action promptly followed the idea. October 7, 1851, he left Rockford for St. Anthony, journeying by wagon to Galena and by steamer to the Falls. Political influence secured him permission to locate on the Reservation, and as one of the earliest settlers at Minneapolis, he built his claim shanty in November, 1851, on what is known as the old Court House Block. In the spring of 1852 he brought his family from Illinois, and for a while was contract Surgeon at Fort Snelling.



Forming a partnership with Dr. John H. Murphy, Ames followed his profession on both sides of the river, with more or less attention, until his death. In every sense of the word he was a public spirited citizen. In Minnesota, as in Illinois, offices were thrust upon him. Roberts says he was the first mail carrier of Minneapolis, keeping the mail in the top of his hat and distributing it to its owners as he made his daily trips from his office in St. Anthony to his claim shanty in Minneapolis. When Hennepin County was organized an election was held in the house of Col. J. H. Stevens, October 21, 1852, and Ames was chosen representative to the Territorial Legislature. He had already been made Judge of Probate. He was appointed Postmaster of Minneapolis April 21, 1856. He drafted the bill incorporating the town January 4, 1856. When the Constitutional Convention assembled in June, 1857, Ames was a representative in that body. Later, when the State was organized, he was a member of the State Normal School Board, and held the position for several terms.

In early life he was a Presbyterian, and was an elder in one of the early churches of that faith in Minneapolis, but he died in the communion of the Episcopal Church. He was generous to a fault, and no small portion of his original claim was donated to public and private uses in which he was only interested as Minneapolis' first citizen.

While serving as a representative in the State Legislature at Springfield, Ames had embraced the opportunity of extending his knowledge of Masonry by applying for the Capitular degrees. In Springfield Chapter, No. 1, R. A. M. he was advanced a Mark Master, February 1st, passed the Chair and was acknowledged a Most Excellent Master, February 6th, and was exalted to the Royal Arch, February 14, 1843. At or about the same period, the Cryptic degrees were conferred upon him.

A casual statement in the records of the Grand Commandery of Minnesota says that Ames was made a Templar in Morton Commandery, No. 4, of New York, in October, 1854. The records of that body, as well as of all the other Commanderies in New York City, fail to substantiate his New York creation.

During the many vicissitudes of Scottish Rite Masonry in New York, previous to the Union of 1867, John W. Simons, at one time, claimed to be *in propria persona*, a Supreme Council, and as such conferred all the degrees of the Rite, including the 33d degree, on Brother Ames. After the Union, the Northern Supreme Council recognized the regularity of Simon's work, but when Ames desired recognition of his rank in the Southern Jurisdiction, Pike refused it, and the matter was only settled by his being healed to the 32d degree by Pike in 1872, and at the May, 1874, session of the Supreme Council he was elected a Knight Commander of the Court of Honor; was regularly made a Thirty-third degree Mason, and was crowned an Active Member for Minnesota.



DAVID BURT LOOMIS.  
St. John's Lodge.



EMANUEL CASE.  
Cataract Lodge.



AARON GOODRICH.  
St. Paul Lodge.



LOT MOFFET.  
St. Paul Lodge.



OTIS HOYT.  
St. John's Lodge.

FOUNDERS OF THE GRAND LODGE.

He was elected a member of Minnesota Chapter, U.° D.°, R.° A.° M.° on the day the Chapter was organized, December 21, 1853, and was a charter member of Damascus Commandery, No. 1, K.° T.°, and was active in establishing Capitular Masonry, and Templary in Minneapolis. Passing over the positions he had held in such subordinate bodies, it is of record that he was Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter, R.° A.° M.° in 1861; Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council, R.° and S.° M.° in 1871, and was Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery, K.° T.° in 1867.

Notwithstanding the honors that had been showered upon him in these organizations, he remained ever constant to his early love for the simpler ceremonies of Ancient Craft Masonry. Some time after the organization of Hennepin Lodge, No. 4, he affiliated with it, and held the Master's chair for eight years. At the very end of his life, he had become interested in the organization of a new Lodge, and had been named as Worshipful Master U.° D.° of what has since grown into a prosperous and successful Lodge, Khurum, No. 112, and held the position when he died, September 23, 1874.

#### AZARIAH THEODORE CRANE PIERSON.

The Secretary of the Convention was on the threshold of the marvelous Masonic career he was afterwards to follow. Contrary to the general impression, that he was made a Mason at Jerusalem before the death of Hiram Abif, as a matter of fact, in Masonic age, he was the youngest Craftsman, save Stearns of Cataract Lodge, on the floor of the Convention.

He had taken his degrees in Painted Post Lodge, No. 117, of Corning, New York, less than two years previously, and it is worthy of comment that Brother W. T. Rigby, our oldest Past Deputy Grand Master, and whose absence it is a source of disappointment to note, was the Senior Deacon of the Lodge on Pierson's initiation and, as was then the custom, instructed him in the lectures of the three degrees. The further discussion of Pierson's Masonic and civil record will be deferred until his administration as Grand Master is considered.

#### AARON GOODRICH.

This eminent brother was an early advocate of the modern doctrine of "the strenuous life" and had his unimpeachable honesty of purpose and *fortiter in re* been tempered by an equal measure of *suaviter in modo*, he would have unquestionably attained a distinguished position in the politics of the state, and the history of Minnesota Masonry might have flowed in an entirely different channel.

He was a born controversialist, and had the unfortunate faculty of stating his opinions in such a harsh manner, that when a division was

called for on many of his proposals which, in general were in complete harmony with Masonic law and usage, those who were of the same mind as himself on the merits of a question, frequently voted against him out of sheer pity for the under dog in the fight. No better illustration of this peculiarity can be given than in calling attention to a book of which he was the author, entitled "A History of the Character and Achievements of the so-called Christopher Columbus." The work was the sensation of the hour. It was absolutely characteristic of its author, and a reading of it will give a clearer insight into the mental processes of Judge Goodrich's mind than pages of description.

While, therefore, the type of his intellect was Celtic, in blood he was of pure English race. In 1643, two brothers, John and William Goodrich, emigrated from Suffolk County, England, and settled in Connecticut. In the seventh generation of descent from William, the younger, Aaron Goodrich was born in Sempronius, Cayuga County, New York, July 6, 1807. In 1815, his parents moved to a farm in western New York, where Aaron resided until he had nearly reached his twentieth year. Such education as he had received was obtained at the public schools, and more especially from the training of his father, who was a scholar of considerable attainments.

His first venture from home was as an agent for an iron foundry. In a brief time, he had formed a business connection under the name of Skinner and Goodrich, and had located at Buffalo. There his partner was elected Mayor and he was chosen an Alderman. It was his first taste of public life, and apparently a satisfactory one. As a certain means of continuing it, he commenced the study of law, sold out his business, and removed to Dover, Stewart County, Tennessee, where he finished his preparatory legal training, and was admitted to the bar. He was a successful lawyer, and a successful politician. In 1847, and again in 1848, he was elected to the State Legislature, and it is said that he was the only Whig who was ever able to secure a seat in the Legislature from that district. When Taylor was nominated for the Presidency, Goodrich stumped the state for him, was chosen an elector, and on Taylor's accession to power, he promptly appointed Goodrich Chief Justice of the new Territory of Minnesota. Goodrich lost no time in repairing to his post, and reached St. Paul May 20, 1849, one week before the Governor. By proclamation, the Territory was organized June 1, 1849. Goodrich presided over the first District Court, at Stillwater, in August, 1849, and sat as presiding Judge at the first term of the Supreme Court of the Territory, held in St. Paul, January 14, 1850. He resigned November 13, 1851, and immediately began the practice of law and the promotion of enterprises, looking to the advancement of the material interests of the Territory. He was one of the incorporators of the State Historical Society, and was the original suggester of the Old Settlers' Association, and for many years its

Secretary. In legal matters he fought the adoption of a Code, and vehemently asserted the superiority of the methods of common law.

At the breaking up of the Whig party, he became a Republican, and was one of the founders of that party in Minnesota.

As a delegate to the Convention that nominated Lincoln, he supported Seward, and Seward rewarded him in 1861, by making him Secretary of the Legation to the Belgians. For the next eight years he resided at Brussels.

In 1872, he burned his bridges, and became an advocate of Greeley's election to the Presidency, although he had supported Judge Davis in the Liberal Convention.

For the rest of his life, he acted generally with the Democratic party. After his return from abroad he married Miss Paris of Bogota who, with two daughters, still survives him.

Judge Goodrich was made a Mason in Dover Lodge, No. 39, of Tennessee, and of that Lodge he was the Master for one or more terms. Further details cannot be given. The Lodge is defunct, and its records are destroyed or lost. He was one of the signers of the dispensation for St. Paul Lodge, and sat in the Grand Lodge Convention as Past Master, and, as has been stated, took a prominent part. After the eclipse of his Lodge in 1856, he does not seem to have attended the Grand Lodge, except in 1865, until after his permanent return from Europe. From 1870 until his death, he was rarely absent. His appearance on the floor was eagerly awaited, and to say that it was spectacular, is to put it mildly. Aaron Goodrich always had an opinion, and no one had doubts as to the opinion after he had spoken. He died in St. Paul July 24, 1887. He was buried Masonically at Goodrich, Michigan.

#### LOT MOFFET.

The kindest heart that ever beat beneath a rough exterior; the most picturesque figure among the early settlers of the Territory; a life which exemplified daily the fundamental teachings of Freemasonry was that of Lot Moffet. He first saw light in the town of Oppenheim, Montgomery County, New York, September 20, 1803. His opportunities for an education were exceedingly limited. By trade, he was a millwright. He also learned the business of the making of woolen cloths, and for a brief period conducted a woolen mill. A part of his early life was passed in Ohio. Then he went to Pennsylvania, from which state, having built a flat boat, he floated down the Ohio river to the city of St. Louis. From Missouri he moved to Illinois, to Iowa, back again to Illinois, and from thence to Jefferson County, Wisconsin. July 14, 1848, he came to St. Paul and bought a considerable tract of land along the St. Anthony road, which he soon sold, and left to spend the winter in Arkansas. On the way, he tarried long enough to receive the Blue Lodge Degrees, the first, Octo-



ber 19th, the other two, October 20, 1848, in Hazel Green Lodge U. D. afterwards, until it was erased from the Wisconsin registry, known as No. 15. During the winter of 1848-49, while in Arkansas, mercantile pursuits, lead mining and bridge building gave him a sufficiently varied occupation. The summer of 1849 found him again in St. Paul, in time to become one of the signers of the petition that resulted in the organization of St. Paul Lodge. He was its first Senior Deacon, afterwards Junior Warden by appointment, and was elected to that position when the Lodge was constituted in 1853, and so appeared in the Convention. Grand Master Ames appointed him Senior Grand Steward, and he was appointed Grand Standard Bearer in 1856. Of St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, he was the third Worshipful Master, and served during the year 1854. According to universal consent, Moffet was a man of strong and sterling principles, eccentric to a degree, but honest to the core. He was one of the earliest advocates of temperance in the Territory. Moffet's Castle, otherwise known as the Temperance House, was located in a ravine at the intersection of East Fourth and Jackson streets. For years it was one of the landmarks of St. Paul. It was described as having been constructed with three or more stories below, and four above ground. In that stronghold, Moffet lived a life of rare excellence. No one was ever turned away from his door on account of poverty. There he clothed the naked, distributed food to the hungry, and soothed the woes of the broken hearted. The good Samaritan of Territorial days died December 28, 1870. St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, conducted the final solemnities. No citizen of St. Paul was ever borne to his narrow home more widely regretted and universally respected.

#### DANIEL MANASSEH COOLBAUGH.

Among the early settlers of Bradford County, Pennsylvania, was a Kaulbach, of that sturdy stock from the Fatherland, whose Teutonic blood and iron will have furnished so many strong and noble sons to the Keystone State. Under the genius of the English tongue the original name became changed to Coolbaugh. Daniel Manasseh Coolbaugh, the eldest son of a large family, was born April 28, 1815, at Wysox, Bradford County, Pennsylvania. He attended the village school or Academy, as it was then called, and acquired sufficient proficiency in arithmetic and other branches to lay a good foundation for a business education. Following the advice of his father, and the custom of the day "to choose a trade," he entered the employment of a master builder, and as an apprentice in that practical school of labor, he served his seven years, and became a journeyman mason. In 1837 he was married to Ellen T. Whitney, the accomplished daughter of Dr. Elisha Whitney of Wyalusing Valley. She survived her husband thirty-five years, and died three years ago in California, after making Minneapolis her home for nearly half a century.

In 1844, Coolbaugh emigrated with his family from Pennsylvania, and secured possession of several hundred acres of land in Ogle County, Illinois, near the present town of Byron. For several years in the intervals of the working of his large farm, he secured and completed contracts for the erection of stone and brick buildings in the neighboring and growing towns of Rockford, Freeport and Dixon, Illinois. But the climate of Illinois, proving prejudicial to his health, on the advice of his physician, he journeyed to Minnesota, and in August 1851, he landed at St. Paul. He soon settled at St. Anthony Falls, and began again, under more favorable circumstances, and with renewed health, the practice of his vocation. The town was a growing one, and there was a ready and constant demand for such practical skill, and architectural experience as he possessed. He built and finished most of the brick and stone buildings on the East side, and when Minneapolis proper was opened to settlement, with whose fortunes his life was afterwards intimately associated, he performed a similar service for the West side of the river, becoming a resident in 1853. By right of Squatter Sovereignty, and the good will of his Masonic brother, Dr. A. E. Ames, he secured possession of eighty acres of Dr. Ames' original claim. It is a part of the very heart of the present Minneapolis. In every movement, involving the welfare of the community, he was alert and to the front. Of strong hereditary and personal religious convictions, he associated himself with others of like interest, in laying deep and broad the sure foundations for Christian citizenship. He became a devout and enthusiastic member of the Episcopal church. In his later and more affluent days, he retired from the pursuit of his early vocation, and engaged in the sale of real estate and the raising of wheat on a farm he possessed hard by the city.

Contrary to the accepted opinion that Coolbaugh was made a Mason in a Pennsylvania Lodge, he did not join the Fraternity until shortly before his removal to Minnesota. The ledger of Excelsior Lodge, No. 97, of Freeport, Illinois, shows that on July 19, 1850, he was charged, and paid for three degrees, and, while the Secretary of the Lodge has been unable to find the record of the meeting of July 19, 1850, he admits the possibility, but doubts the probability that all the degrees were conferred upon him on that date. It establishes, however, beyond further controversy, his mother Lodge, and the approximate time of his becoming a Mason. He appears on the roster of that Lodge as Junior Deacon in the Illinois Grand Lodge Proceedings of 1851. He was a charter member of Cataract Lodge, Senior Warden at the first election under the charter, and so acted in the Convention. When Hennepin Lodge, No. 4, was organized Wednesday evening, June 23, 1853, the meeting was held at his house, and he was named Worshipful Master, and served while the Lodge was under dispensation as well as under the Charter during the years 1854,

1855, and 1856. He was exalted to the Royal Arch in Minnesota Chapter, No. 1, R. A. M. November 7, 1854, and received the Orders of Knighthood in Zion Commandery, No. 2, K. T. January 27, 1866. In a little less than six months, July 16, 1866, he was dead, and under the Arch of Steel of his Templar Frates, rested in eternal slumber, all that was mortal of this Masonic pioneer.

#### DANIEL FRANKLIN BRAWLEY.

Of the brethren active in the early movement to organize Freemasonry in Minnesota, Brawley was the most prominent. He had reached St. Paul, April 19, 1849, and was in the first flush of his enthusiasm as a Masonic worker.

While living at Platteville, Wisconsin, he had applied for and had received the degrees in Melody Lodge, No. 2; that of Entered Apprentice, January 9th; of Fellow Craft, March 10th, and of Master Mason, April 13, 1846. He had already served as Junior and Senior Warden of his Lodge, and was the Acting Master when he left for Minnesota. In all probability, the three calls, in the summer of 1849, appearing in St. Paul papers, looking to the organization of a Lodge, were the work of Brawley. He was an organizer and charter member of St. Paul Lodge, was named the Junior Warden in the dispensation, and after the departure of the Master, acted as Master through the stormy days of 1852, and was elected Worshipful Master at the constitution of the Lodge in 1853. He represented his Lodge as Worshipful Master in the Convention, and was chosen Senior Grand Warden. A year later he became Deputy Grand Master. Soon after the organization of Minnesota R. A. Chapter No. 1, Brawley was exalted April 5, 1854, and in Damascus Commandery, No. 1, he was made a Red Cross Knight, January 9th, and was dubbed a Templar, March 19, 1866.

Brawley was of Scotch-Irish ancestry, and was born near New Paris, Preble County, Ohio, January 11, 1818. Before coming to Minnesota, he had sojourned in Illinois and Wisconsin. By trade he was a brickmaker, and he made not only bricks, but fashioned them in the first brick structures ever erected in the Territory. In such a country the toil of a man like Brawley was of more value than the deeds of priest or lawyer. Sins and quarrels could await adjustment, but human beings unprotected from the rigors of a Minnesota winter demanded immediate shelter. Brawley was a hard worker, and a bit of a politician. He was a member of the Legislature in 1855, and held various offices in the town and city governments. In 1857 he crossed the plains in the service of the United States, and the experiences of that expedition were utilized in the Indian campaigns of later years, under the command of General Sibley. Brawley moved to Winnipeg in 1870. His life ended July 7, 1885, at St. Vincent, Minnesota.



**DANIEL F. BRAWLEY.**  
St. Paul Lodge.



**DANIEL M. COOLBAUGH.**  
Cataract Lodge.



**HENRY N. SETZER.**  
St. John's Lodge.



**ABRAHAM VAN VORHES**  
St. John's Lodge.



**CHARLES T. STEARNS.**  
Cataract Lodge.

**FOUNDERS OF THE GRAND LODGE.**

## HENRY NOLAN SETZER.

Setzer was the only founder of the Grand Lodge born west of the Mississippi. With the exception of Brawley, an Ohioan, the others were natives of the New England or Middle States. His father came to America just before the war of 1812, and fought in the American army. The family was German, and Setzer was born in Montgomery County, Missouri, October 6, 1825. He was educated at home save for a brief course at St. Charles College, Missouri. His life work began at the age of fourteen. He spent three years in Illinois, and arrived in Minnesota July 4, 1843, and immediately interested himself in the lumber industry in the valley of the St. Croix, residing at Stillwater, Marine, Taylor's Falls, and Chengwatana. When the Territory was organized in 1849, Setzer represented the Fourth District in the Legislature. It was at that time he was made a Mason. His petition was presented to St. Paul Lodge U. D. October 3rd; he was initiated October 13th, passed November 2d, and was raised November 5, 1849. The next year he took an active part in the organization of St. John's Lodge at Stillwater, and at its constitution in 1852 he was elected Junior Warden. At the next election he was chosen Senior Warden, and as such took his seat in the Convention on the second day. The Grand Lodge formed, he was appointed Grand Pursuivant, and was elected Deputy Grand Master in 1856. For years he occupied a prominent position in the Grand Lodge, and a large share of the business coming before it was molded into form by committees in which Setzer played a leading role. In 1854 and 1855 he was Master of St. John's Lodge, No. 1. He was one of the early initiates of Minnesota Chapter in the winter of 1853-54, and received the orders of Knighthood in Damascus Commandery August 25, 1857. In 1866 he organized Zion Lodge, No. 55, at Taylor's Falls, and was the first Worshipful Master under both dispensation and charter. To continue his political career. In the Seventh and Eighth Session of the Territorial Legislature, Setzer was a member of the Council, and represented the First District. Through parliamentary tactics, he saved the capitol to St. Paul, and in the Constitutional Convention he acted with the Democratic wing. Appointed Warden of the State's Prison in 1857, he held the post until 1860, when he was made Register of the Land Office at Cambridge, Isanti County, and performed its duties until April, 1861. The leisure afforded him in these position gave him an opportunity to study law, and he was admitted in due time to practice by the Supreme Court. He followed the profession until his death, first opening a law office at Taylor's Falls, Superior City in 1869, Duluth in 1874, Taylor's Falls in 1877, and for the last four years of his life in Stillwater. He served as town and county attorney for Chisago County many years. He died at Stillwater January 8, 1898, and was buried at Taylor's Falls by the Lodge he had organized in 1866.



## DAVID BURT LOOMIS.

Loomis was a descendant of one of the oldest families of Connecticut, where he was born in Wilmington, April 17, 1817. In 1830 he removed with his parents to Alton, Illinois, breathed, during his plastic days, the spirit of the West, and was ever afterwards a typical Western man. He completed his education at the Western Reserve College of Ohio, under the eye of his brother, Elias Loomis, a Professor, and the author of a series of mathematical works, the mere mention of which will chill the memory of many a Mason who has had their contents pounded into his unwilling brain. Brother Loomis came to the Falls of the St. Croix in 1843, and immediately became interested in the lumber trade. In 1846 he was one of the proprietors of the Arcola saw mill, and on selling his share of this plant he was, for the next four years, in charge of the St. Croix boom, serving in 1847, as well, as Surveyor General of logs and lumber. At the organization of the Territory in 1849, Loomis was elected and served as a member of the Territorial Council. He was also a member of the Council in the Second, Third and Fourth Sessions of the Legislature, and in 1851 was the President of the Council. In 1873 he was elected to the House of Representatives. While in St. Paul, as a member of the Council in 1849, Loomis petitioned the newly established Masonic Lodge for the degrees. He was initiated October 15th, and on October 17th he was passed, and his crafting was the first time the Fellow Craft degree was conferred in Minnesota. October 29, 1849, he was raised, the third raising in the history of the Lodge. On June 9, 1852, he withdrew to become a charter member of St. John's Lodge, of which he was Senior Deacon in 1854, Secretary in 1855, Senior Warden in 1856, and Master during the years 1857, 1865, 1866, and 1875. As he was a member of the Territorial Council at the time of the organization of the Grand Lodge, and was living in St. Paul, he was present at the preliminary meeting of February 23, 1853, in which the Grand Lodge Proceedings erroneously report him and Dr. Hoyt as representing St. John's Lodge.

It has already been mentioned what he did at the Convention. The Grand Lodge Proceedings of this and subsequent Communications bear witness to the variety and excellence of his labors on behalf of the Craft.

At the organization of the Grand Lodge, and after the election of the Grand Officers, he was appointed Junior Grand Deacon. He was elected and served as Deputy Grand Master for the years 1858, 1859 and 1860. January 7, 1857, he was exalted to the Royal Arch in Minnesota Royal Arch Chapter, No. 1, and in 1872 he dimitted and joined Washington Royal Arch Chapter, No. 17. He was made Knight Templar in Damascus Commandery, No. 1, June 9, 1857, withdrew September 24, 1878, and was one of the charter members and the first Captain General of Bayard Commandery, No. 11, in 1878.

In 1861 he entered the Army as Lieutenant of Co. F, Second Minnesota Volunteers, and was promoted to a Captaincy, serving three and a half years. He filled many positions of honor and trust in this city and state, and departed this life at the Soldiers' Home, Minnehaha Falls, at the ripe age of eighty, on February 24, 1897, and was buried by the Grand Lodge. He was never married.

David Burt Loomis was possessed of more than an ordinary mind and intellectual force, and the services he rendered the state, as well as Masonry, entitle him to the grateful remembrance of his fellow citizens, and Masonic brethren.

### OTIS HOYT.

Dr. Hoyt, not Hoyty, as published both in the original and reprint of the Grand Lodge Proceedings, sat in the Convention as proxy for the Worshipful Master of St. John's Lodge of Stillwater. He had never been, was not then nor was he ever afterwards a member of that Lodge. Strictly speaking, he had no standing in the Convention; and yet there is nothing in the records, nor was there in Setzer's narrative, to show that he had failed in exercising a delegate's prerogatives.

Dr. Hoyt was born in Sandwich, New Hampshire, December 3, 1810. Both of his grandparents were Hoyts and both had served in the War of the Revolution. His father was a farmer, and in early life Dr. Hoyt had assisted him in the hard struggle to win a subsistence from the stony fields of the Granite State. But from early youth he had a higher ambition than that of following his father's calling. At the age of fourteen he was enrolled as a student in the Frybury Academy of Maine, where he fitted for college, so that in 1829 he entered Dartmouth, from which institution he was graduated in the class of 1833.

Choosing medicine as his profession, he studied for a time in the office of Dr. Massey, a leading physician of the state, and finally entered the Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia, and was graduated in 1836. He followed his profession for two years at Mason, New Hampshire, and then settled at Framingham, Massachusetts, where he remained for eight years. Meanwhile he had become interested in the militia and was a Lieutenant in the Fourth Regiment of the state. When Col. Caleb Cushing, a warm personal friend, led a Massachusetts Regiment to the Mexican War, Dr. Hoyt was commissioned Surgeon, and served until the end of the contest. Wisconsin having been admitted to the Union at about that time, so rosy were the tales told of its future possibilities that in 1849 Dr. Hoyt journeyed to the Falls of St. Anthony, and by the way of Hudson (then Willow River) to the Falls of St. Croix. He was made Postmaster, and later by the Governor was appointed appraiser of school lands, which vocation

finally lead to his removal to Hudson, where, in addition to his duties in the Land Office, he practiced medicine. He occupied for years a commanding position, social, political and professional, in that section of Wisconsin. He was a member of the Legislature in 1851. His army experiences were renewed at the breaking out of the Rebellion. He was appointed Surgeon of the Thirtieth Wisconsin Volunteers, although for the greater portion of the time he was on detailed duty at various posts in the South. His services were required by General Sibley in the Sioux campaign in 1862.

Dr. Hoyt was made a Mason in Middlesex Lodge of Framingham, Massachusetts, January 6th; was crafted January 20th, and was raised March 10, 1846. He affiliated with King Solomon's Lodge of Somerville, November 16, 1846, in which Lodge his membership terminated December 9, 1851.

Besides his Masonic work in the Convention he was a charter member of St. Croix Lodge, No. 56, of Wisconsin; the Senior Warden, U. D.; the first Worshipful Master under the charter in 1855 and 1856. He was exalted in Madison Chapter, No. 4, R. A. M. of Wisconsin, February 15, 1852, and was granted a dimit January 27, 1857. In Damascus Commandery, No. 1, K. T. of Minnesota, the orders of Knighthood were conferred upon him January 6, 1857. He became a charter member of St. Croix Chapter, No. 44, R. A. M. and of St. Croix Commandery, No. 14, K. T. at the time of their organization at Hudson, Wisconsin, in 1873 and 1878 respectively. He died at Hudson November 12, 1885.

#### EMANUEL CASE.

On October 19, 1796, at Canaan, Columbia County, New York, the seventh born of the eleven sons and daughters of William Case began life's journey, and he was called Emanuel. That he was a farmer, a vocation he professed as long as he lived, was married in 1819 and was residing, temporarily, at least, in Lima, Livingston County, New York, March 31, 1820, the date of the birth of his son, Sweet W., who was destined to become, thirty-three years later, the first petitioner, the first initiate and the first Secretary of Hennepin Lodge, No. 4, of Minnesota, are all the facts known in regard to his early life. In the summer of 1820 he removed to Rush, Monroe County, New York, where, in the combined pursuits of farmer, owner and manager of two flouring mills, he resided until 1832, when he was crowded into bankruptcy (like the majority of the business men of Western New York) through the outbreak of cholera which swept through the United States and completely prostrated the commercial interests of the country. While residing in or near Lima he made application to Union Lodge, No. 261 (now No. 45), of New York, for the degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry. The records of the Lodge

show that he was initiated April 6th, crafted August 31, 1819, and, probably on account of his removal to Rush, his raising as a Master Mason was deferred until August 23, 1825. It is known that he was almost immediately exalted to the Royal Arch in Avon Chapter, R. A. M., but as that Chapter was within a brief period subsequently blotted out of existence by the fury of the Anti-Masonic craze of 1826 and following years, no records of it are known to exist, and the exact date of Case's exaltation is unobtainable. His mother Lodge, however, was made of firmer stuff, and while "all the neighboring Lodges disbanded and surrendered their charters; notwithstanding the persecution and turmoil without, the members of Union Lodge never for a moment wavered in their firm adherence to that which they knew to be right, even at the price of personal sacrifice and social ostracism. Although there was only one initiation from 1829 to 1837, and only one from 1837 to 1848, they never failed on the stated afternoon of each month to assemble in regular Communication, heeding not the jeers and disgraceful epithets with which they were saluted as they wended their way to the appointed place of meeting; never suffering their zeal for the Fraternity to lead them into argument with those who through ignorance and malice were assailing it. So bitter was the feeling that their enemies were not content with these insults in open day, but even threatened the destruction of the building which contained the Lodge Room occupied in those trying times. Nor did this feeling seem to abate with the flight of years; so late as 1848 clothing infected with smallpox was, during a meeting of the Lodge, heaped against the door leading to the Lodge Room, then situated in the American Hotel at the four corners in the village of Lima, and every member in attendance save one suffered from the contagion."

This excerpt from Atwell's "Leaves from the History of Union Lodge, No. 45, of New York," has been quoted for a two-fold purpose; first, to show what it cost to be a Mason in 1826 and in succeeding years, and, secondly, as an indication of the character of the Masonic associates of Emanuel Case, from whom he had gained his first impressions of the Fraternity. That he was an apt pupil, may be inferred from the fact that, during all the years of persecution he never finched in his steadfast adhesion to the principles of Freemasonry.

In 1832 Case removed to Manchester, Michigan, where he built a mill, and later a hotel. In that town he was Justice of the Peace for a series of years.

Abandoning his residence in Michigan, he removed to Alton, Illinois, in 1842, and, leaving his family there, he started, with Charles Mitchell of St. Louis, for the Pacific coast by the overland route, his wagons well stocked with goods suitable for the Indian trade. He was in California when the gold excitement broke out, in 1848 and 1849, and was one of the successful searchers in the mines of the Golden State. Having acquired a competency, he returned to the



East late in 1850, spent a few weeks in Berlin, Wisconsin, and six months in Alton, and in the spring of 1851 he became one of the earliest settlers at the Falls of St. Anthony, where he opened a store in company with his son, who had joined him there in June of that year. When the lands on the west side of the Falls were accessible to settlers, Case and his son took up claims. This necessitated the relinquishing of their business at St. Anthony. Claims were liable to be jumped during the temporary absence of their occupants, and were only safe at the price of eternal vigilance. His residence in Minneapolis was thenceforth permanent until his death. Case was engaged actively in every enterprise which tended to the growth and development of his adopted home. He was the President of the company which built the first bridge across the Mississippi between Itasca and the Gulf.

Masonically he was ever at the front. He was one of the organizers of Cataract Lodge, No. 2, and was a petitioner and charter member of Hennepin Lodge, No. 4, and of Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, of which he was a member at his death. He sat as a Past Master in the Grand Lodge Convention, was appointed Grand Treasurer and was re-elected for ten years. When Minnesota Chapter, No. 1, R. A. M. was organized, December 21, 1853, Case was present and was elected a member at sight.

In the Grand Lodge Convention Case sat as a Past Master. By a careful sifting of all the obtainable evidence regarding his Masonic life, it may be stated that Case was a virtual, not an actual Past Master. The distinction of the two degrees in the middle of the last century was evidently not sharply drawn, and as evidence to the point it may be recalled to mind that the Grand Master of Ohio, in his letter of instruction to the first Master of a Minnesota Lodge, said: "If my recollection serves me, you are a Royal Arch Mason. Should this not be the case, you will have to repair to some place for the P. M. degree to qualify you to preside." The statement in Col. Stevens' history, that Case held high rank in the Craft while in Michigan is a myth, for Michigan Masonry, during the period of his sojourning there (from 1832 to 1842) was practically non-existent.

Brother Case died August 4, 1871, and was buried by the Grand Lodge. While not a Masonic worker from a ritualistic point of view, he was a valued member of all the bodies to which he had belonged, and in nearly all of them he had been repeatedly elected to the position of Treasurer, a position which he had filled to the complete satisfaction of all concerned.

#### CHARLES THOMAS STEARNS.

In Pittsfield, Berkshire County, Massachusetts, January 9, 1807, of revolutionary stock and of a family noted for its longevity and sterling integrity, was born Charles Thomas Stearns. More than ninety-one years later, May 22, 1898, he died at New Orleans, Louisiana.



After securing the ordinary schooling of the day, in 1824 he became associated with his three brothers in the manufacturing of woolen cloths, succeeding to the business of their father. In 1835 he succumbed to the Western fever, transferred his share of the factory to his brothers and started for Michigan Territory, where he resided until 1837, when he moved into Wisconsin Territory and into that part which is now a portion of Iowa. He afterwards settled in St. Louis, where he established a machine shop and foundry, which he conducted successfully until his removal to Peoria, in 1840. When the Government proposed the construction of Fort Ripley, Stearns entered its employment and accompanied the expedition sent into the northern wilderness for that purpose. Delighted by the climate and the promise of the country, he took up his residence at St. Anthony and established a machine shop and planing mill, availing himself of the water power at the Falls. He resided at St. Anthony until 1856, and then removed to the new town of St. Cloud, located in the county of Stearns, which received its name in his honor. In 1853-54 he held a seat in the Territorial Legislature, the only Whig in that body.

In 1864 he visited a daughter in New Orleans and became interested in a cotton press until 1867, when he engaged in the hardware business at Mobile for two years, retiring from it to become Register of the U. S. Land Office for that District. He served for ten years, and on the consolidation of the office with that of Montgomery he returned to New Orleans and spent the remainder of his life, free from business cares. Stearns petitioned for the degrees of Masonry at the first Communication of Cataract Lodge, U. S. D. He was initiated March 6th, passed March 20th and raised April 3, 1852. On each occasion ten candidates were advanced.

He was Junior Warden of his Lodge in 1853, and as such represented it in the Convention. At the second Grand Communication, in 1854, Stearns was present as Master of Cataract, and in 1855 he was elected Senior Grand Warden. On his removal to St. Cloud he was the Worshipful Master of St. Cloud Lodge, No. 15, at its organization and served for two terms, although his membership in Cataract Lodge, No. 2, was not formally severed until June 6, 1867.

After his removal to the South he had made one effort to renew his connection with the Fraternity. Owing to the bitterness of political feeling the effort was a failure, and he died unaffiliated save in his connection with the Masonic Veteran Association of this State, which, having learned of his survival, honored itself by placing his name on its honorary roll, January 12, 1898.

#### DENNIS WILLIAM CHAUNCEY DUNWELL.

The only survivor of the thirteen founders of the Grand Lodge was born in Pleasant Valley, Dutchess County, New York, August 13, 1817. Nothing is known of his early life. While living at St.

Mary's, Ohio, he made application to Mercer Lodge, No. 121, for the degrees, January 23, 1850. He was initiated February 20th, was passed March 6th and was raised March 20th; and, according to the records of the Lodge, at the next Communication he limited, presumably in view of his removal to Minnesota, where he arrived in April, 1850. Dunwell was a carpenter, and for a number of months in 1850 was in the employment of the government and was occupied in the construction of Fort Ripley. Subsequently he became a resident of St. Paul, where he was engaged in various occupations for the next twelve years. In the Legislature of 1857-58 he represented the Third Senatorial District. In 1861 he was the Mayor of West St. Paul (now the Sixth Ward), and held the position until the Legislature ruled the ambitious corporation out of existence. He was the first and last of the line. Dunwell was evidently an enthusiastic Mason. His name appears on the roll of St. Paul Lodge as early as the winter of 1850-51. A year later he was acting Senior Warden; was elected to that position when the Lodge was constituted, and it was as Senior Warden that he sat in the Grand Lodge Convention. By appointment of the Grand Master he was Senior Grand Deacon in 1853 and Grand Marshal in 1855. He withdrew from his Lodge March 5, 1855, and was one of the unsuccessful petitioners for a new Lodge in St. Paul at the Communication of the Grand Lodge in January, 1855. On the day of the organization of Minnesota Chapter, No. 1, R. A. M., Dunwell petitioned for the Capitular degrees; was elected at once, and was advanced to the degree of Mark Master at that Convocation. He was one of the three to be exalted to the Royal Arch, December 28, 1853, the date of the first working of the Royal Arch in Minnesota. In Damascus Commandery he was given the Orders, the Red Cross, July 19th; the Templar, July 22, 1856.

With the granting of a charter to St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, at the time of its transformation in 1856, Dunwell was named Master, and filled that position during the first year. Leaving St. Paul May 16, 1862, he removed to Idaho, where he has since endured the ups and downs of frontier life, and, especially in one or two Indian outbreaks, he has had rich experiences, at least from a retrospective point of view, having narrowly escaped the scalping knife and tomahawk.

To-day he is living at Lewiston, Idaho, and while for a man of his years he may be termed robust, he deems it imprudent to leave the comforts of a home to travel several thousand miles in the depths of a Northwest winter, even to participate in the celebration of the Golden Jubilee of the Grand Lodge which he had assisted in founding, and where, as the sole survivor of the thirteen Fathers he would have been the central figure of interest. May his days be many!

## AN HERETOFORE UNRECOGNIZED FOUNDER.

It is, indeed, a belated act of justice to the memory of Abraham Van Vorhes, one of the Masonic pioneers of Minnesota, in natural intellectual endowments the most gifted of all those concerned in the organization of the Grand Lodge, "a man retiring in his habits, reticent in his speech and devoted to his books," to advance a claim in behalf of his being one of the founders of the Grand Lodge.

If he were present on the second day of the Convention, and the records prove it in asserting that he was there and then elected and installed Junior Grand Warden, it follows, under the provisions of the call, that he was a delegate from St. John's Lodge *ex officio* and was eligible to a seat, being in possession of the requisite and legal qualifications in virtue of his rank as an actual Past Master, his claims being equal to those of Goodrich and surpassing those of Case and Pierson.

In age and as a Master Mason he was the senior of all his colleagues.

Of Dutch and revolutionary stock, he was born on a farm in Washington County, Pennsylvania, December 2, 1793. So meager had been his educational opportunities that at the age of seventeen, he could scarcely read, but then he chanced to stumble upon a geographical treatise, the first paragraph of which stated that the earth was a globe and revolved on its axis in twenty-four hours. The statement amazed the boy and disgruntled his father, who advised his son to burn the book. The mastery of its contents was the spark which kindled his intellectual life, and so rapid was its growth that within a few years he had acquired such a store of knowledge that he was regarded as the oracle and final judge on philosophical and scientific questions that were brought to him for solution from a wide extent of the country. He was brought to Masonic light August 2d, in Washington Lodge, No. 164, of Pennsylvania; was crafted September 6th, and was raised November 29, 1824. Of his Lodge he was Junior Warden in 1826, and Senior Warden in 1827.

Van Vorhes removed to Athens County, Ohio, in 1832, residing for the first five years at Hebardsville, and engaging in study and mechanical pursuits. In 1838 he changed his residence to Athens, where he edited and published *The Hocking Valley Gazette*, and attained local prominence in politics. He served as County Treasurer and Surveyor, and represented his district in the Ohio Legislature, one year in the House, and four years in the Senate.

In the spring of 1848 he was the first Master of Hebardsville (now Albany) Lodge, No. 156, and, while residing in Ohio, it is the opinion of some of the surviving Masonic acquaintances of Brother Van Vorhes that he attained the Capitular degrees in Athens Chapter. They were in his possession on his arrival in Minnesota. In 1849

he accepted from President Taylor the appointment of Register of the Land Office at Stillwater, and on October 7th of that year he arrived to assume the duties of his office. He was Territorial Auditor in 1854; a member of the Territorial Legislature in 1856, and of the State Legislature in 1860, in which year he was appointed by Governor Ramsey Commissioner to locate lands for the Capitol and State University. For several years after 1864 he was Postmaster at Stillwater, and served until he resigned. For twelve years he filled the position of Surveyor of Washington County, and performed its active duties when over eighty years of age.

Of St. John's Lodge, he was one of the petitioners in 1850 for a dispensation. He was the first Secretary of the Lodge, U. D., and under the charter, and served as Treasurer in 1854 and 1855. Chosen Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge in 1853, he was promoted to the Grand West in the following year, and in 1855 he was elected once more to the position of Junior Grand Warden. After a long, active, and useful life, he died at Stillwater, January 24, 1879, and was buried with Masonic honors.

#### MEMBERS OTHER THAN FOUNDERS.

The Grand Secretary, JOHN GEORGE LENNON, an Englishman, was born at Bolton, Lancashire, July 6, 1815. He came to the United States in 1841, and settled at Stillwater, June, 1844. He had changed his residence to St. Anthony in time to be among the group of ten who were the first initiates in Cataract Lodge, U. D., March 6, 1852, and on its records he is considered as the first petitioner, the first initiate, and the first raised of the group. He served as Grand Secretary for one term. While he died in Minneapolis October 13, 1886, his active connection with Masonry and with Cataract Lodge, No. 2, terminated as early as April 5, 1859.

SYLVANDER PARTRIDGE, the Grand Sword Bearer, was born in Braintree, Vermont, March 14, 1807. At Newark, Ohio, some thirty years subsequently, he petitioned for Masonic light, and in Newark Lodge, No. 97, he was initiated May 6th, passed May 10th, and was raised May 22, 1839. Six months later he received the Capitular degrees in Warren Chapter, No. 6, of Newark, his exaltation having occurred on November 20, 1839. Bigelow Council, No. 7, R. and S. M. gave him the Cryptic degrees April 8, 1841. He was, also, a Templar before his arrival in Minnesota. He is supposed to have dimitted from all of these bodies in November, 1841. He arrived at the Falls of the St. Croix some five or six years later, and established an Indian trading post, at Jerusalem, otherwise called "Quail Town," a short distance above the Falls. He was elected sheriff of St. Croix County in 1849, and became a resident of Stillwater in 1851, conducting a business place that by no stretch of imagination could have been called a dry goods house. He was admitted a member of St. John's

140, \$1; No. 142, \$1.60; No. 152, 80 cents; No. 157, 80 cents; No. 170, \$4; No. 181, \$5.20; No. 192, \$1.20; No. 193, \$1.60; No. 199, \$2; No. 201, 40 cents; No. 202, 40 cents; No. 204, \$1.60; No. 206, 80 cents; No. 209, 80 cents; No. 210, \$1.20; No. 218, \$2.80; No. 227, \$1.80; No. 229, 40 cents; No. 232, \$2.80; No. 234, 80 cents; No. 235, \$1.20; No. 238, \$2; No. 242, \$2.80; No. 243, \$2.40. Yet due from Lodges: No. 101, 40 cents; No. 115, 40 cents; No. 126, 80 cents; No. 145, 40 cents; No. 159, \$2; No. 187, 40 cents. Not signed by Master: Nos. 73, 193, 206. Not signed by Secretary: Nos. 26, 31, 193. No seal attached: Nos. 28, 31, 124, 145, 159, 179, 187, 188, 193.

We extend our thanks to the Grand Secretary for the courteous and valuable assistance rendered your committee in the performance of their duty.

O. C. HANSON,  
J. T. JOHNSON,

*Committee.*

Adopted.

Bro. S. L. Frazer (186) submitted a sample jewel to be adopted for the use of District Deputies. Referred for consideration to the Special Committee on District Deputies.

#### REPORT OF CUSTODIANS.

Brother Sprout read the following report, which was ordered printed:

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge:*

The Board of Custodians respectfully report that they have just held their annual meeting in St. Paul for the purpose of giving instruction in the work and lectures of the degrees, as required by Section 148 of the Masonic Code. Besides all the members of the Board, there were present at said meeting 130 Master Masons to receive such instruction, representing 94 different Lodges.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. SPROUT,  
*Secretary of the Board.*

Bro. Irving Todd submitted his report on Correspondence, which, on motion, was ordered to be published as an appendix to our proceedings.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MASONIC HOME.

*To the M. W. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Masonic Home appointed pursuant to the action of the last Annual Communication, having had under consid-



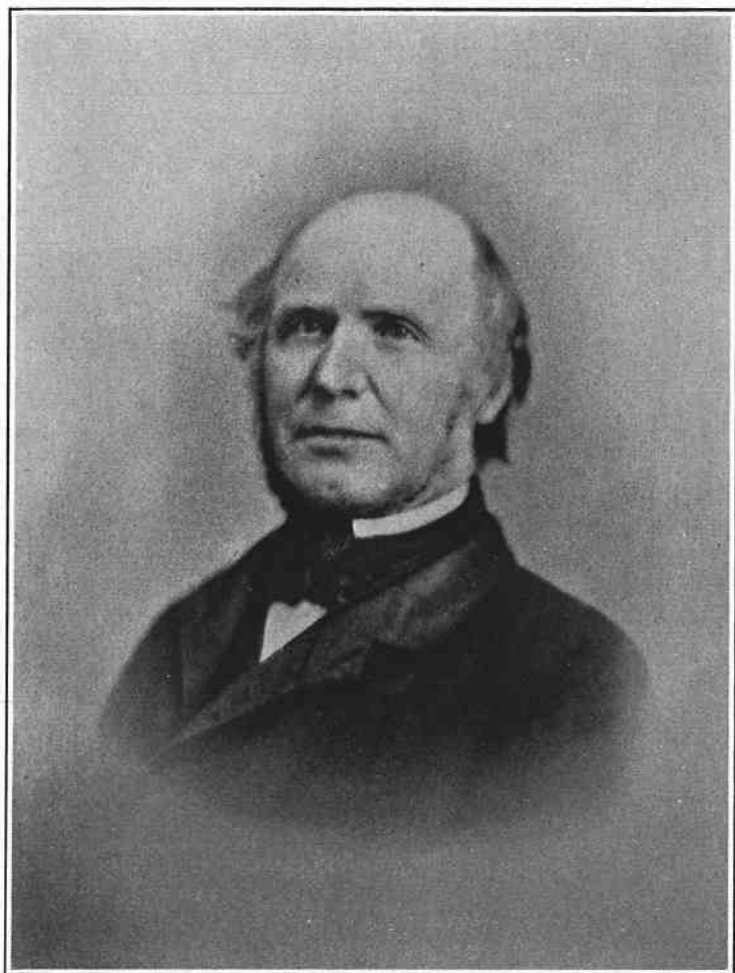
eration the subject of the establishment of a Masonic Home in this jurisdiction then referred to it, as well as the remarks of the M. W. Grand Master upon the same question in his address at this session, respectfully report:

That brethren belonging to four Lodges availed themselves of the opportunity to appear before the committee and made known their deep feeling that Masonry ought to bestir itself to secure in this jurisdiction a Masonic Home. These brethren are among the best and most faithful Masons in Minnesota. Their views deserve careful and fraternal consideration.

The committee failed to hear from any of the subordinate Lodges through official sources, and, in view of the indisputable fact that the maintenance of such Home, if it should be established, will fall directly upon the Lodges and brethren in the shape of increased per capita tax and burdens, it is quite evident that no notice whatever can have been taken of the matter by the Lodges during the past year. Our Lodges are required to have read at their meetings during the year the proceedings of the Annual Communication. Those proceedings contained the report upon "Masonic Home" adopted a year ago in plain and unambiguous language. Notwithstanding this no action has been taken by any Lodge to the knowledge of your committee, and out of the representatives present at this Communication but one has appeared before us.

It would be folly to enter upon so great and important a subject as even the discussion of the necessity and practicability of establishing a Masonic Home without knowing officially what the general judgment of the brethren throughout the jurisdiction is. Your committee know that there is a much larger sentiment for a "Home" than the appearance of the few brethren before us seem to indicate. But it is not a well digested sentiment, and not yet buttressed with a practical showing of specific needs in or plans for maintenance.

Your committee therefore recommends that the whole matter be postponed until our next Annual Communication, and that a committee of three be appointed to investigate and consider the question in all its bearings during the interval by correspondence with other jurisdictions and otherwise and to prepare a circular letter to the Lodges calling attention to the matter and asking for definite answers to the questions of the needs of each locality for the benefits of such Home, whether for aged Masons, their wives or orphans, whether the Lodge would feel able to pay an increased annual per capita tax of not less than 25 cents for the maintenance of such Home, and for other information desired. That such circular be sent to the Lodges over the signature of the M. W. Grand Master, who shall officially require each Lodge to hold a Communication, with notice to each member, on or before December 27, 1903, for consideration of the matter, and that answers to all questions be officially forwarded to the Grand Secretary not later than January 1, 1904. That



*Moses Shekinne*

THE SECOND GRAND MASTER.

1855.

Died March 29, 1868.

It was restored to the hands of W.'. Brother W. H. Grant of St. Paul Lodge and by him given into the custody of the Grand Lodge at a subsequent Communication.

#### THE ADMINISTRATIONS OF GRAND MASTER AMES.

Few events of importance occurred during the first or second administrations of the Grand Master. In June, 1853, he granted a dispensation for Hennepin Lodge, No. 4, the first Lodge on the west side of the Mississippi, and in his annual address at the Communication of 1854, congratulated Masons on the organization of the first Royal Arch Chapter in the Territory. He was a frequent visitor at all the Lodges, and was usually called upon to take charge of the work. At the Communication of 1854, Hennepin Lodge, No. 4, was chartered, as well as Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 5. The opposition to such action has been usually ascribed to the fear that with another Lodge in the neighborhood of St. Anthony, the Grand Master would have been able to have perpetuated his hold on the Grand East indefinitely. Such a view is unreasonable. No one was less likely to override constitutional requirements than Grand Master Ames, and the explanation, the most rational and probable, if expressed in this address, would but renew the consideration of a controversy which began in the early days of the Grand Lodge, and only ceased with the death of the contestants. The first steps looking to a new Constitution were taken. In the year that followed a dispensation was issued for a Lodge at Shakopee.

#### MOSES SHERBURNE,

Second Grand Master,

1855.

When the Third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge opened on January 1, 1855, the Deputy Grand Master, D. F. Brawley, occupied the Grand East. The Grand Master was out of the Territory in attendance upon a Masonic Convention at Washington, which had assembled for the purpose of devising some means to found a General Grand Lodge, or similar organization, for the purpose of controlling and unifying the various Grand Lodges of the Union. Like schemes had preceded this attempt, and, happily for the peace of the Craft, all had failed, as this, and those still in future were, and are destined to fail.

Five Lodges were represented. Beyond voting a charter to Shakopee Lodge, No. 6, declining to charter a new Lodge in St. Paul, and reporting and adopting a Code of Laws for trials, no matters

of importance came before the Grand Lodge, other than the election of a Grand Master. What course to pursue in regard to the succession was the paramount question. According to the Constitution, Grand Master Ames was ineligible for re-election, and Pierson, the most prominent candidate, was equally ineligible, though the Constitution had been sorely strained at the time of his election to the chair of the Junior Grand Warden in 1854. A veiled protest had come to light on the last day's session of that Communication in the form of a resolution offered by Judge Goodrich.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment from the afternoon of January 2d to the morning of January 4th, when a brief session was held. On the morning of January 5th the election of Grand Officers was ordered "this day at 2 o'clock p. m."

Moses Sherburne was elected Grand Master, and A. T. C. Pierson was promoted to the position of Deputy Grand Master.

Sherburne was reluctant to accept the office. He had previously declined to consider the nomination, and it was only after his unanimous election, and notification by a strong committee of the action and wishes of the Grand Lodge, that he yielded to pressure, and, as his note of acceptance indicates, "it may be my duty to obey the summons." Sherburne was a newcomer to the Territory, and had only within a few months affiliated with Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 5, then in the first year of its existence. He had never held an official position in that Lodge, nor had he taken part in its work, but he was eligible to the office of Grand Master under the provisions of Art. I., Sec. 9, of the Constitution, and it may be fairly questioned whether, at the time, there was another Mason in the Territory who was eligible, as well as equal, to the duties demanded of the position and rank. The Hour had arrived, and the Man, no matter how unwillingly, was there to meet it. He had been brought to Masonic light January 17th, in Maine Lodge, No. 20, at Farmington, Maine; was crafted February 14th; was raised May 31st, and had joined the Lodge August 14, 1848. In the following October he was elected Senior Warden, and a year later was the Master of the Lodge. In 1850 "seven brethren from, Phillips, Maine, petitioned for a dispensation for a new Lodge in that town." The first meeting of the Lodge, July 12, 1850, was held in his law office. In the Maine Proceedings of May 1, 1851, the D.' D.' G.' M.' of that District mentions "The Honorable Brother Sherburne, Master of Blue Mountain Lodge, U.' D.'" The Lodge was constituted in 1852, and Sherburne was its first Master under the charter. He probably demitted in 1853. So much of his Masonic history in Maine, and of his Masonic qualifications for the chair of the Grand Master! The record of his civil training will show that he was well fitted for the task imposed upon him. Of English descent, the son of Samuel Sherburne, and the oldest of five children, he was born January 25, 1808, at Mount Vernon, Kennebec county, Maine, where he passed

his boyhood days. He secured his first training in the public schools of Mount Vernon and finished his general education at an academy in the town of China, Maine, an institution of more than ordinary standing, in the first half of the last century. From the first he was noted as an apt and thorough scholar and gave early evidence of the mental qualities that were the distinguishing features of his matured years. Graduating from the academy, he commenced the study of law under the eye of the Hon. Nathan Cutler. Two years later he was admitted to the Bar. In 1831 he settled at Phillips, Maine, commenced the practice of law, and resided there until his removal to Minnesota. In 1832 he married Sophia, the daughter of Joel Whitney. Brother Whitney afterwards moved to St. Paul, where he died in 1852, and his burial March 24, 1852, under Masonic auspices, was the first ceremonial of the kind recorded in the Territory.

Moses Sherburne was a successful lawyer from the beginning of his practice. His absolute integrity, accurate legal learning and oratorical gifts attracted clients from a wide territory, and brought him almost immediately into prominence. Though never an office-seeker, from the first he was the recipient of public office. On September 17, 1837, he was appointed postmaster of Phillips. April 3, 1838, by the appointment of the Governor, he became County Attorney of Franklin County. Elected to the Lower House for a single term in the Maine Legislature, he was immediately returned to the Senate, in which he sat for two terms. Having become interested in the State militia, on August 12, 1840, Governor Fairfield appointed him Division Inspector, with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, of the Eighth Division, a position he filled until his promotion to the rank of Major General of the same Division. The Governor likewise, in October, 1840, made him an officer for the administration of oaths, and a Justice of the Peace and of the Quorum for Franklin County for a term of seven years. June 30, 1845, he was chosen by the Governor to serve a term of seven years as Judge of Probate. This office in New England was deemed a position of great dignity and the manner of its administration by Judge Sherburne was such that it greatly enhanced his reputation. June 24, 1847, Governor Dana appointed him Justice of the Peace and of the Quorum with jurisdiction coextensive as the boundaries of Maine. He was Bank Commissioner under an appointment of Governor Hubbard. He received the Democratic nomination for Congress, and, although running far ahead of his ticket, the predominating Whig strength of his district precluded his election. From the beginning of his career public questions had attracted the close attention of Judge Sherburne, and his reputation was largely increased by his able and eloquent speeches upon political issues. He was a Democrat of the old school and a close friend of Franklin Pierce. When Pierce became the President of the United States one of his first acts was the appointment of



Judge Sherburne Associate Justice of Supreme Court of Minnesota Territory. In speaking of this appointment the *Eastern Argus* of Portland, Maine, for April 1853, said: "The President could hardly have selected a man better suited to this honorable and responsible position." Judge Sherburne arrived in Minnesota in April, 1853, and exercised his judicial functions until 1857, when he resigned to resume the private practice of law, in which he was closely engaged until his death. Judge Sherburne was a man of commanding presence and intellect. His demeanor on the Bench was dignified. He had an open, pleasant, benevolent countenance and a dark, brilliant, searching blue eye, making his appearance one that impressed the visitor to his Court with respect and reverence.

His mere opinions on legal matters always carried weight, and were generally received as law. Up to the day of his death, long after ill health had compelled him partially to relinquish the active practice of law, his advice and opinion were sought by lawyers in the preparation of their cases, and much of his practice during these latter years of his life was that of a counsellor rather than an advocate in open Court.

As a speaker Judge Sherburne had all the qualifications of an orator. His words were well chosen, carrying force and argument with them, and always addressing the reason and understanding, without resort or appeals to other feelings, except on rare occasions, when his impassioned eloquence bursting forth from a cold, logical background produced an overwhelming effect.

When the Territory of Minnesota applied for admission to the Union, Judge Sherburne bore a prominent part in the deliberations which resulted in the adoption of the State Constitution, and his remarks before the convention are among the valuable original sources to which the future historians of Minnesota will apply for an insight into the problems and motives of the fathers of the North Star State.

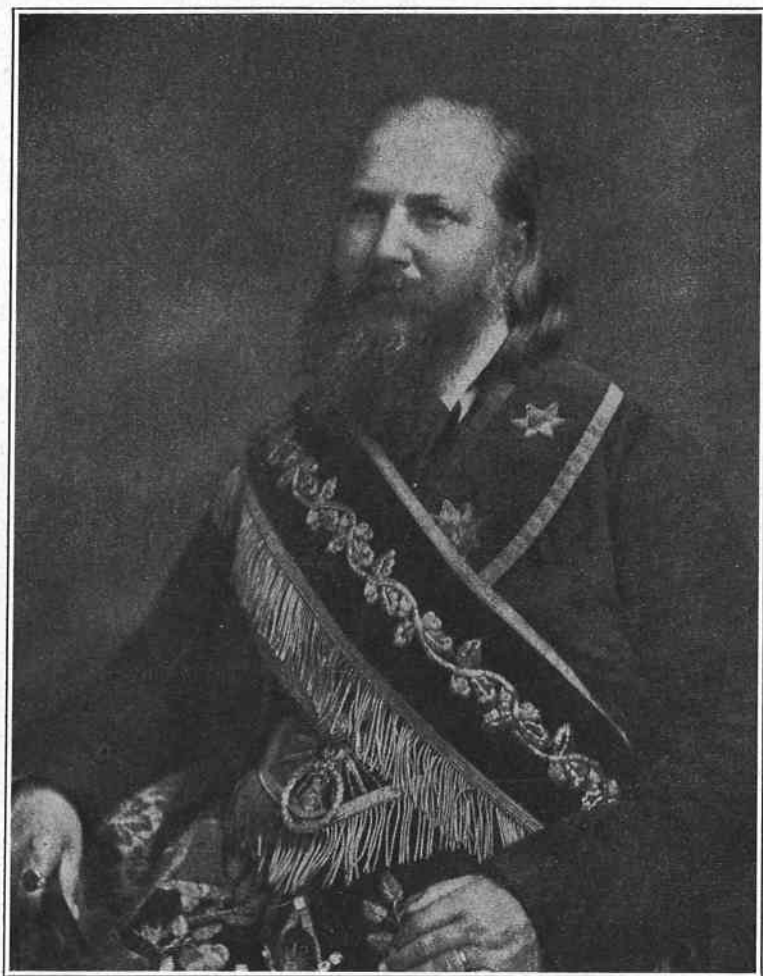
Besides his interest in public matters in Minnesota, he was greatly interested in its material development. In St. Paul he was a joint proprietor of Ashton & Sherburne's Addition. His name is perpetuated by Sherburne avenue in St. Paul and by Sherburne County in the State.

Judge Sherburne died at Orono, Sherburne County, March 29, 1868, and his funeral services were conducted in St. Paul April 2, 1868. Seventeen Lodges were represented. His death was the first to break within the circle of Grand or Past Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge.

#### SHERBURNE AS GRAND MASTER.

It may be conceded that the duties of a Grand Master in 1855, exercising supervision over a jurisdiction made up of six lodges only,





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*A. T. C. Pierson*

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were not onerous. During his term of office Sherburne visited all the Lodges, with the exception of Shakopee, No. 6; issued dispensations for Lodges at Hastings, Red Wing and Winona. The latter came to naught. The other two were chartered at the Fourth Annual Communication in January, 1856. The Grand Master's *magnum opus* was his first and last annual address. It was an effort worthy of the name. Rarely have the utterances from the Grand East compressed in so compact a form the fundamental principles of the Great Brotherhood. It was a masterful expression of the needs of an infant jurisdiction, and laid down in terse and beautiful language a course of conduct, which, if followed, would have made Minnesota Masonry the model of the Fraternity. Even the committee to which it was referred were deeply impressed—a rare circumstance—and they urged the Craft “to give it a careful perusal—nay, to study it.”

It was at that session of the Grand Lodge that St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, through a combination of circumstances, entered into a trance from which it was not to be roused until forty-four years had elapsed. The Constitution was revised—or rather replaced by the one which, with certain amendments added from time to time, as occasion has demanded, is still in force—and it was referred to the subordinate Lodges for acceptance or rejection. To his dying day, Goodrich maintained with more than ordinary plausibility that his work, the Constitution of 1853, was never legally superseded by that of 1856, and had it been a question to be adjudicated by the ordinary rules of law, the adoption of the Constitution of 1856 would have been laughed out of Court. *Rex non potest peccare* was the only leg on which it ever rested.

In its haste, therefore, to overthrow the work of Goodrich, the Grand Lodge, or rather its members actively concerned in forcing the substituted Constitution, overlooked the import of another still weightier maxim, *Rex debet esse sub lege quia lex facit regem*. For political reasons, which were, from the beginning, gradually developing and were now about to culminate, their motto was *Constitutio prima delenda est*.

A system of pay for mileage and per diem of Lodge representatives was first proposed and adopted. Sherburne declined absolutely to be re-elected, and he was succeeded by

#### AZARIAH THEODORE CRANE PIERSON,

Third Grand Master,

1856—1864.

The administration of Pierson extended from January 11, 1856, to October 26, 1864, a period of nearly nine years. Beginning while the new Territory was rejoicing in its first prosperity, it reached through the financial disturbances of 1859 and the storm and stress

period of the Civil War. In the latter epoch so unpropitious were the surroundings, and so unfavorable was the time to the propagation of Freemasonry, that the Grand Master issued a circular dispensing with the Annual Communication of 1862, and in his address in 1863 he advanced as reasons: "Not a company has gone from this State but that some of our Lodges were represented in it; not a regiment but that at least one-half of its officers were members of our Order; not a Lodge in this State but that some of its officers had answered their country's call. In some of our Lodges, one year since, all the officers had gone; in others, a portion of the officers and members, and in one Lodge but three members were left." During these nine years the central figure was the Grand Master, and the position he carved out for himself while in the Grand East, he retained until his death. It requires but a few words to sketch his civil career. Fully to record his Masonic life would demand a detailed history of the beginning of every branch of legitimate Masonry in Minnesota, with the exception of that of the Blue Lodges, which antedated by a year or more his arrival in the Territory.

Pierson was a Jersey man, and was born in the little hamlet of Speedwell, near Morris Plains, August 29, 1817. When four years of age his parents removed to Cincinnati, Ohio, but returned to New Jersey in 1822. A year later he was living in New York, where he was educated and finally graduated from the old Barclay Street Medical College in 1837. Married while a boy of eighteen to Miss Eleanor C. Berrien of Long Island, New York, his wife was his mainstay for the more than fifty-four years that the union remained unbroken. Possibly the Fraternity in Minnesota owes more to her assistance in his efforts to establish Lodges and to spread Masonry in the Northwest than to any other one agency. Pierson came to Minnesota early in the year 1851 in the employment of the Indian department. A year later he was joined by his family. He was engaged with the Winnebago, Chippewa and Sioux Indians up to the outbreak of the latter in 1862. For a number of years previous to July, 1885, he served as chief draughtsman in the office of the Surveyor General of Minnesota. It is not certain that he ever followed the practice of medicine; in fact, he seems to have turned to the pharmaceutical side of the profession, for he was for some years engaged in the drug trade in the State of New York. The rest of his life was practically devoted to Freemasonry.

### HIS RECORD AS A CRAFTSMAN.

Pierson's attention to Freemasonry was the direct result of the Masonic ovation given to La Fayette on his visit to this country in 1824. He had witnessed, as a mere child, some of those demonstrations, and there and then, young as he was, he had determined, should the opportunity ever present itself, to know more of the Institution.



While living near Corning, New York, he was initiated, passed, and raised in Painted Post Lodge, No. 117, of that town in March, 1851. On his arrival in St. Paul he became a visitor of the only Lodge in the Territory, although he did not affiliate with it until February, 1853. Meanwhile he had returned East, and in the spring of 1852 he had received the Capitular degrees in Elmira Chapter, No. 42, of Elmira, New York. The part he took in the organization of the Grand Lodge has been already mentioned. He was a charter member of Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 5, at its organization in January, 1854, and its first Junior Warden. That was the highest rank he ever attained in a subordinate Lodge, and he passed from that to the Junior Grand Wardenship in the Grand Lodge at the session of 1854, was elected Deputy Grand Master in 1855, and was chosen Grand Master in 1856. In July, 1853, a petition for a dispensation for a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was prepared and carried by Pierson to Dubuque, Iowa, the location of the nearest Chapter, for recommendation. It was forwarded to the meeting of the General Grand Chapter of the United States at Louisville in September. A dispensation was issued. Pierson was named the first High Priest. Minnesota Chapter, No. 1, was instituted December 21, 1853, and Capitular Masonry had begun its career in Minnesota. For six successive years he was High Priest. When a Grand Chapter was organized for the State December 17, 1859, Pierson was elected Grand High Priest, and served until October 24, 1860. He was Grand Secretary from 1860 to 1865 and from 1875 until his death. In the General Grand Chapter of the United States he had attained the rank of General Grand King.

When and where Pierson was made a Templar is unknown. Tradition says it was in 1854, and in the City of New York. The records of New York Commanderies on this question are silent. He was the leader in the movement which resulted in the formation of Damascus, the first Commandery of Knights Templar in the Territory, in September, 1856, and for nine years he was Eminent Commander, and represented it in the Convention that organized the Grand Commandery of the State October 23, 1865. From 1862 to 1868 he was Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment of the United States. From March, 1876, he was Grand Recorder of Minnesota Templars and chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence of the Grand Commandery. In the summer of 1851 Albert Pike, landing at the steamboat wharf in St. Paul, chanced to meet Pierson, who had made himself known to him as a Mason. The result was a friendship which although sometimes sorely strained was never quite broken and lasted until the end. In March, 1859, Pierson, who had been in the meantime invested with the degrees of the A. A. S. R., was elected to receive the Thirty-third Degree and to be an Active Member of the Southern Supreme Council. The degree was conferred upon him in Chicago in the following Autumn. From

1860 to 1866 he was the Grand Captain of the Guards of the Supreme Council, which position he relinquished on his election as Grand Prior. He held that office until his resignation from the Supreme Council—May 5, 1870. In all those years he had planted the seeds from which with much labor at his hands and of many others have sprung the Scottish Rite as it exists to-day in Minnesota.

Pierson was the first Mason in Minnesota to collect a library of books devoted to Masonry. As a scholar he must be classed with the "legendary school" of Masonic investigators, and had no conception of the lore that has been since brought to light by the "authentic school," of which the founders of the Lodge Quatuor Coronati of London are distinguished exemplars. In history he dwelt upon legends rather than upon facts, and the fruit of his studies was summed up in his "Traditions of Freemasonry," published in 1866. It in no way detracts from its merits that the times have changed and the methods of scholars have changed with them, and that his book, therefore, should be judged by the light of 1866 and not from the standpoint of 1903.

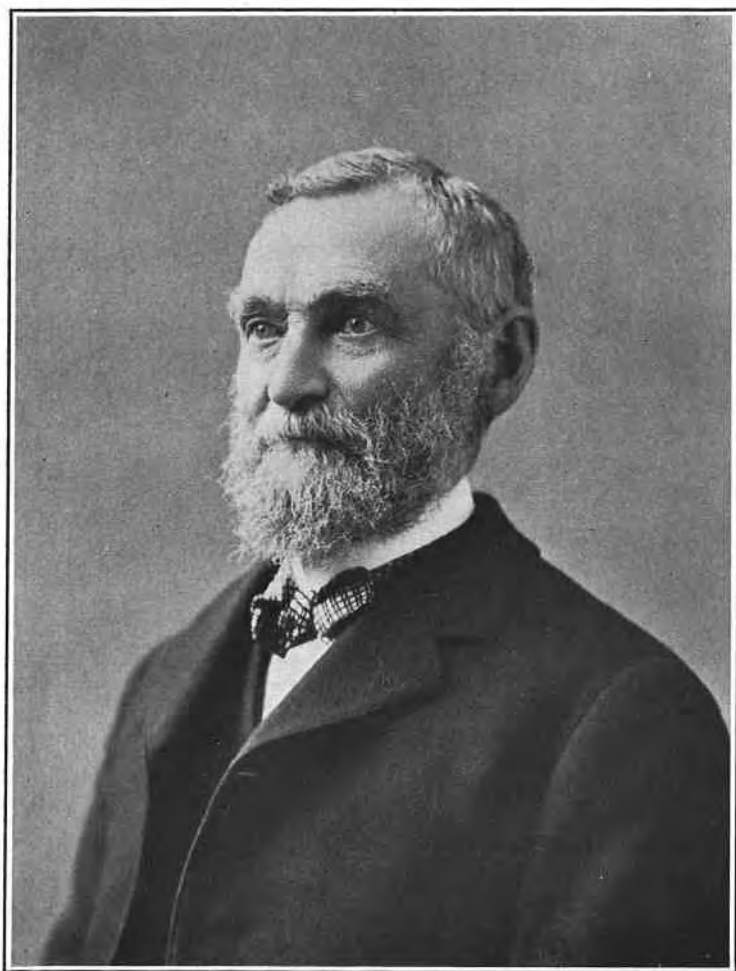
In all that pertained to Masonic law Pierson was a wise counsellor, and his stores of erudition garnered through the long years of his Masonic life were ever at the service of the willing listener, nor was he ever too much engaged with the task before him to refuse an answer to an earnest inquirer.

#### IN THE GRAND EAST.

When Pierson assumed the purple of the Grand East the Grand Lodge had eight subordinate Lodges. On its transference to his successor the highest numbered Lodge on the roster was No. 49. The forty-one Lodges added were the results of his planting and watering. He was an indefatigable visitor, and visiting Lodges in the early and late fifties was work of the hardest kind. It meant long rides in the worst of weather across hills and prairies in buck-board wagons and primitive sledges. Days were spent on steamboats and nights in hotels that were hotels only in name.

Some of the old customs of the Craft were observed for the first time during Pierson's administration. The first corner stone laying in the Northwest was conducted with a dual ceremony on St. John Baptist day, 1856. But the buildings of the State Historical Society and of the Masonic Hall in St. Paul, which were to be erected on those corner stones, still, as then, exist only in the imagination of their projectors. A form was adopted in 1858 for the installation of Grand Officers, and the "Work," which from the nature of the case widely varied in different Lodges, headed by officers learned in the ritual of different jurisdictions, was crystallized in 1863 into the "official Work and Lectures," known as Pierson's. To propagate this work Pierson, a year later, and on the accession of his suc-





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cessor, was appointed Grand Lecturer. Elected Grand Secretary in 1864, and again from 1876 to his death, he not only performed the duties of that exacting office, but for years he prepared with rare patience and distinct thoroughness the reports on Foreign Correspondence. In the aggregate the latter covered thousands of pages. He died in St. Paul November 26, 1889, after an illness of only a few days.

"The Grand Lodge, with the assistance of efficient local committees, took charge of his funeral obsequies, and he was buried with Masonic honors in Oakland Cemetery, St. Paul, Grand Master J. A. Kiester officiating. His selected pall-bearers were all Past Grand Masters. Although the weather was cold and stormy, hundreds of Masons from over the State came as Lodges and singly to show their grief at his sudden departure. The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, with the several Commanderies from St. Paul, Minneapolis, Stillwater, Red Wing, Austin, Winona and Litchfield, and representative Knights from the other Commanderies, formed the escort."

It is a matter of note that Pierson was succeeded by one on whom, as he stated at the installation, he had himself conferred the degrees in 1854.

#### GEORGE WASHINGTON PRESCOTT,

Fourth Grand Master.

1865—1866.

He was made a Master Mason in Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 5, December 14, 1854, and from the beginning of his Masonic life became an active worker in all the bodies of the Fraternity. In June, 1856, he was elected Senior Warden of his Lodge, and as such appeared at the next Communcation of the Grand Lodge, when he was elected Grand Secretary, serving until October 26, 1864, when the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary exchanged official positions. During those years he had served as chairman of the Correspondence Reports. Six Lodges were added to the roll during the two years of Prescott's administration, and Pierson's "Work and Lectures" were made obligatory. On the whole, there was a constant advance in the Masonry of the State, but no events of commanding importance. Of his further work in the Grand Lodge there may be mentioned his services as Grand Chaplain, from 1871 to 1874, inclusive. In the other Masonic Grand Bodies he had an equally brilliant career. He was exalted in Minnesota Chapter, No. 1, R. A. M., August 1, 1855, and had become High Priest as early as it was possible. He was Grand Secretary at the organization of the Grand Chapter in 1859, a year later was elected Grand King, at the next election was chosen Deputy Grand High Priest, and was Grand High Priest during the years 1863 and 1864.



In Damascus Commandery, No. 1, he received the Order of the Red Cross July 19th, and was created a Templar July 21, 1856. He was from the first an office holder, the second Commander of Damascus, and when the Grand Commandery of Minnesota was formed October 23, 1865, he was almost the unanimous choice of the delegates as Grand Commander—a position he filled for two terms.

At the Grand Encampment of the United States, held at Columbus, Ohio, in 1865, he was elected Grand Warder.

Brother Prescott is a native of Maine, and in the town of Chesterville, Kennebeck (now Franklin) county, he was born October 20, 1826. After a common school education, supplemented by some training in private schools and in the Farmington Academy, he began the study of law in the office of Moses Sherburne of Phillips. In the fall of 1850 he was admitted to the Franklin county bar and almost immediately left for St. Paul, where he arrived in November of that year. His first employment in Minnesota was the reporting of the proceedings of the second Territorial Legislature for the *Minnesota Pioneer*, then under the management of its brilliant founder and editor, James M. Goodhue. For two or three terms he taught in a school at St. Anthony, where he again commenced the practice of law in partnership with J. W. North. In 1854 he was appointed Clerk of the Second District Court and also of the Supreme Court of the Territory and filled both positions until the organization of the State government in 1857. He was then appointed Clerk of the United States District Court and was elected Clerk of the District Court of Ramsey County. In August, 1862, Prescott enlisted and was commissioned a Lieutenant in the Sixth Minnesota Volunteers. He served with his regiment in the Indian campaign, and on his return from that expedition he was detailed as Aide-de-Camp on the staff of General Sibley, and held the position until the close of the war. In 1867 he moved to Knoxville, Tennessee, and returned to Minnesota in the fall of 1868. His life from that date to January, 1892, when he became a resident of San Francisco, California, where he is still living, he describes as "rather migratory," it having been spent in the ministry of the Baptist church at various points in Minnesota and a stay of eleven years at Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin. To join Henry S. Baird Lodge, No. 211, of Wisconsin, located at Sturgeon Bay, he dimitted from Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 5, January 1, 1882, and was admitted to that Masonic body February 11, 1882. He is the only Past Grand Master of Minnesota whose connection with Minnesota Masonry has been severed by any other cause than that of death. He is, however, an honorary member of the Masonic Veteran Association of the State.





*Charles Whippo Nash*

THE FIFTH GRAND MASTER.  
1867-1871.

## CHARLES WHIPPO NASH,

Fifth Grand Master,

1867—1871.

The fortunes of the Grand Lodge were entrusted to the hands of a new Grand Master and Grand Secretary. Both were elected and installed October 24, 1866. Nash held position until January 12, 1872, and William S. Combs retired from the Secretariat a year later.

Charles Whippo Nash was born at Albion, Orleans County, New York, December 5, 1829. He was the eldest of a family of five sons and four daughters. His parents were natives of New York and were of Scotch-Irish and English descent respectively. His mother was a member of the Society of Friends, and at her hands, until the age of ten, he was carefully instructed in the rudiments of a sound education. This was continued in the common and private schools of the day, and more especially at New Castle Academy, located at New Castle, Pennsylvania, and for several years at Mayville Academy, Mayville, New York, and from which he graduated in 1850. Immediately beginning the study of law in the office of Hon. Thomas A. Osborne of Mayville, he followed it until the autumn of 1851, when business matters required his removal to Adrian, Michigan. In November, 1851, he entered upon the duties of principal of the male department of the Adrian High School, which he only relinquished to accept the position of Superintendent of Schools of the city of Adrian. In September, 1853, he accepted the position of Superintendent of Schools for Tecumseh, Michigan, which he held until the close of the spring term in 1855. In the meanwhile, whenever leisure presented itself, he had continued the study of law, so that entering in the spring of 1851 the State and National Law School at Poughkeepsie, New York, he was enabled to graduate in September of that year, and immediately after his graduation, by examination at general term, was admitted to the practice of law in all the courts of the State of New York. He was married July 6, 1854, to Miss Frances M. Barnum of Clinton, Michigan. Two children were the fruits of this union, Clarence O. Nash, who still survives and resides in St. Louis, and Charles Henry Rice Nash, who was drowned in the Minnesota river, near Le Sueur, on April 2, 1878. His wife died June 19, 1897.

In October, 1855, he removed from Michigan to Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, where he was admitted to the Bar to practice in all the Courts of the State. He immediately commenced the active practice of his profession and continued it until his change of residence from Des Moines, Iowa, to Hastings, Minnesota, in the spring of 1859.

In November, 1857, at a Special Election, held to fill a vacancy, he was elected Mayor of Fort Des Moines, Iowa, and at the regular annual election, in March, 1858, he was re-elected Mayor of the present city of Des Moines, Iowa, for the regular term of two years, and continued to discharge the duties of Mayor up to the date of his removal to Hastings, Minnesota. He was a resident of the city of Hastings, Dakota county, Minnesota, from March, 1859, to June, 1865, when his family removed to St. Paul, Minnesota. During his residence in Dakota County, Minnesota, he was nominated and elected on the Democratic ticket for State Senator to represent the Seventh Senatorial District (Dakota County), and served as such in the Fourth State Legislature for the years 1862 and 1863, and at the extra session of September, 1862, and at the regular session of 1863, being the Fifth session. At the Democratic state convention in 1865 he was unanimously nominated upon the Democratic ticket for Lieutenant Governor with Hon. Henry M. Rice as the Democratic candidate for Governor.

At the session of the State Legislature of Minnesota for the year 1874 he was the Democratic candidate for United States Senator.

He was chairman of the "Democratic State Central Committee" of Minnesota for four years—1866-1870—and was a member of the "Democratic National Committee" for the State of Minnesota from 1868 to 1872.

He was a volunteer at the outbreak of the "Sioux Indian Massacre and War" in August, 1862, and served in various positions during the different campaigns against the hostile Sioux Indians on the frontier from the commencement to the close of Indian hostilities.

He enlisted as a private in Company "C," "Hatch's Independent Battalion of Cavalry, Minnesota Volunteers," and assisted in raising the Company to its full quota when the Company was mustered into the military service of the United States on September 11, 1863. Brother Nash was mustered in as First Lieutenant.

Immediately after his muster into the service he was detailed by Major E. A. C. Hatch, Commanding Officer of the Battalion, as the acting Quartermaster, Commissary and Ordnance Officer. The Battalion was ordered to Pembina, Dakota Territory, on the extreme frontier, and took up its line of march on October 5th and reached Pembina November 13, 1863, where it was on duty during the winter of 1863 and 1864. He was promoted to assistant Quartermaster, United States Volunteers, with the rank of Captain April 5, 1865. He served as Chief Quartermaster of the District of Minnesota, with headquarters at St. Paul and Fort Snelling, on the staffs of Generals H. H. Sibley and Corse, in 1865 and 1866; and as Post Quartermaster at Fort Snelling until the close of the war, and on his final muster out of the service and honorable discharge, June 27, 1866, for faithful, efficient and meritorious services, he was promoted



and commissioned Major United States Volunteers March 13, 1865, and was mustered out June 27, 1866.

Immediately after leaving the army, in connection with the late Colonel Henry L. Carver of St. Paul, an old time and intimate friend and classmate, at the State and National Law School, he purchased the newspaper known at that time as the *St. Paul Pioneer*, now consolidated with the *St. Paul Press* and known as the *Pioneer-Press*.

After the purchase of the *St. Paul Pioneer*, in June, 1866, it became an incorporated company and Nash was elected President and manager of the corporation, and continued to discharge the duties of the position for more than five years, when he disposed of his financial interest in the corporation. For the last few years Brother Nash has been a resident of Minneapolis.

#### AS A MASON.

Brother Nash was made a Mason in Tecumseh Lodge, No. 69, at Tecumseh, Lenawee County, Michigan, on December 1st, passed to the degree of Fellow Craft December 29, 1854, and was raised January 26, 1855. He dimitted November 31, 1856, and became a member of Pioneer Lodge, No. 22, at Des Moines, Iowa, January 10, 1857. He was elected and served as Junior Warden of the Lodge in 1859. May 29, 1860, he dimitted, and the same year became a charter member of Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 35, at Hastings, Dakota County, Minnesota. In that Lodge he served as Master, being its *first* Master, in 1860, and also for the years 1861 and 1862. He still retains his membership in that Lodge.

He received the Capitular Degrees of Freemasonry in Corinthian Chapter, R. A. M., No. 14, at Des Moines, Iowa; Mark Master, Past Master, and Most Excellent Master in January, and was exalted to the Royal Arch Degree in February, 1857. He dimitted March 1, 1860, and affiliated with Vermillion Chapter, No. 2, R. A. M., at Hastings, Minnesota, in 1860. He was Most Excellent High Priest of the Chapter during the years of 1860 and 1861. He was anointed High Priest in Masonic Hall at St. Paul, Minnesota, in October, 1860.

He received the Cryptic Degrees in 1862 at St. Paul and was a charter member of St. Paul Council, No. 1, R. & S. M., in 1870.

He received the Order of Knighthood in Des Moines Commandery, No. 4, at Des Moines, Iowa; Red Cross Degree January 15th; Knight Templar January 30, 1858. Dimitting from that Commandery December 13, 1860, he affiliated with Damascus Commandery, No. 1, K. T., at St. Paul in 1861.

In June, July and August, 1865, he received the degrees of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite from the Fourth to the Thirty-second degree inclusive at St. Paul, and was coroneted Honorary

Inspector General September 18, 1868, by Albert Pike; Sovereign Grand Commander, at St. Louis, Missouri.

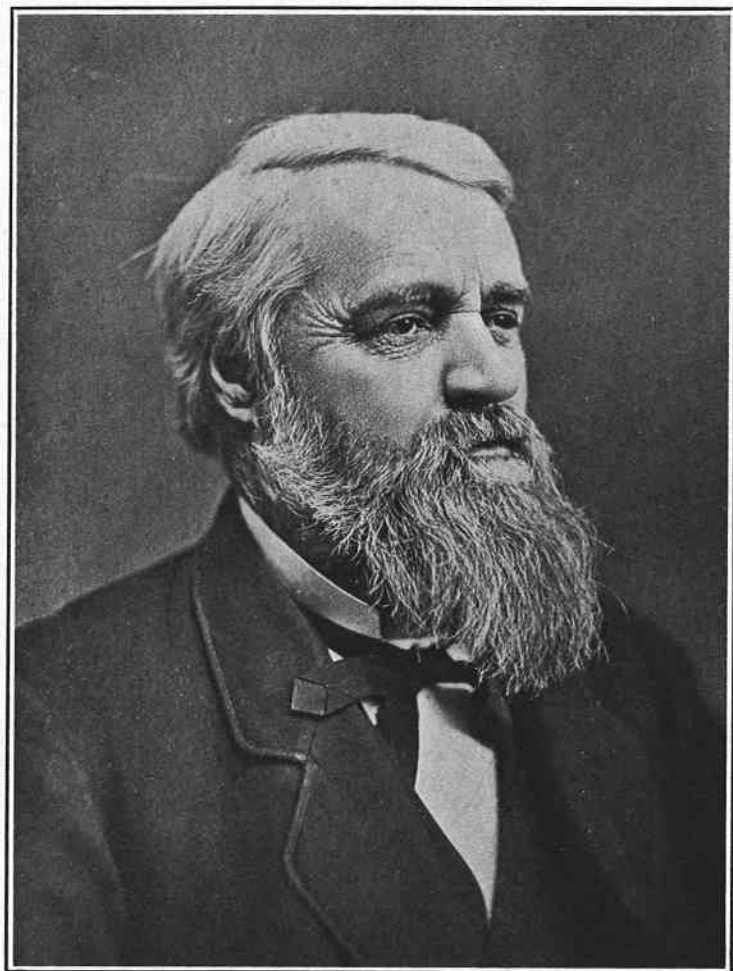
In the Grand Chapter, R. A. M., of Minnesota, his record is as follows: Grand Scribe in 1860; Grand King in 1861; Deputy Grand High Priest in 1863; Grand High Priest in 1865.

### A STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT.

During the several terms of office of Grand Master Nash forty Lodges were chartered. The methods of the present day were instituted in so far as concerns the system of District Deputy Grand Masters (abolished, however, in 1870 and renewed in 1874), and the ritual now in use. The Pierson Work and Lectures were abandoned, and a ritual, the result of the examination and deliberation of the Board of the District Deputies, and whose report may be found in full on page 52 *et seq.*, Proceedings of 1869, was adopted, and means were taken to disseminate it and to make it obligatory. Their report is an exhaustive one, and proves conclusively, as do like reports of other Grand Lodges in regard to their "Work," that the pedigree of "Minnesota Work" is without a flaw in its continuity, and is "*the genuine Webb Work.*" As a matter of fact, "Minnesota Work" is neither better nor worse, neither purer nor more corrupt than that of scores of the American Grand Lodges. Webb took the English "Work" in vogue during the closing decades of the eighteenth century and absolutely revolutionized its outward dress. He had the same right to do so, if the Masons of America were willing to accept and to adopt it, as Hemming had to reclothe the "English Work" in 1813, which is now the "standard Work" of the United Grand Lodge of England, and is known as the "Emulation working." The "old Work" of before and immediately after 1750 is to-day exemplified in only two Grand Jurisdictions, that of Ireland and of Pennsylvania, and in all probability could an eighteenth century Mason be resurrected long enough to visit the Lodges now scattered over the earth, the Lodges of those two Jurisdictions would be the only ones in which he would find himself entirely at ease.

On account of the change in time of the Annual Communications from October to the month of January, no session was held in 1868. When the Grand Lodge convened in January, 1869, the first act of the Grand Master was to inform the Grand Lodge of the destruction of all of its property in the burning of the Mackubin block April 21, 1868. The loss from a sentimental and historical standpoint was irreparable.





*Grove B. Cooley*

THE SIXTH GRAND MASTER.

1872.

Died August 20, 1884.

## GROVE BENJAMIN COOLEY,

Sixth Grand Master.

1872.

The details of his early life are unknown. That he was born December 10, 1827, in Attica, New York; that he received a sound education, and in 1848 began the study of law at Canandaigua, New York; that he came to Wisconsin in 1850, where his scholarly abilities commanded him the position of a professor in the school which afterwards developed into Ripon College, and that he retained it until 1858 are all the facts that can be definitely determined. In the final year of his residence at Ripon he was made a Freemason, having been initiated in Ripon Lodge, No. 95, February 2d, passed February 9th, and raised February 12, 1858. He dimitted September 28, 1858, and removed to Mantorville, Dodge County, and commenced the practice of law. January 11, 1859, he affiliated with Mantorville Lodge, No. 11; was elected Junior Warden in 1860, Senior Warden in 1861, 1862 and 1863, and was chosen Worshipful Master in 1864 and served four terms. He sat in the Grand Lodge in 1863, 1864 and 1865, when he was elected Senior Grand Warden. He was a constant attendant until 1870, when he was elected Deputy Grand Master. He was out of office in 1871, but was made Grand Master in 1872. In 1876 he was Grand Orator and presented a poetical effusion, which the Proceedings of the year mention "as a very interesting and *peculiar* address, a copy of which Past Grand Master Cooley declines to furnish for publication, much to the regret of the brethren who were so fortunate to be present during its delivery." It may be added that an annual address to the Grand Council of R. & S. M., of which branch of Masonry he was an ardent cultivator, and of which body Brother Cooley was Grand Master at the time of his death, was likewise in verse. No other Grand Master seems to have been a poet.

Meanwhile he had been exalted May 14, 1863, in La Grange Chapter, No. 4, R. A. M., of Red Wing, and had received the Orders of Knighthood in Damascus Commandery, No. 1, K. T.; the Red Cross, October 25th, and Knight Templar, October 27, 1864.

In Minnesota his legal career was a brilliant one. He attained high rank in his profession while residing at Mantorville, and, in addition to official position on the Board of Education, he served as County Attorney and Judge of Probate of Dodge County. In 1871 he was elected a member of the Fourteenth Legislature and served as chairman of the judiciary committee. Removing to Minneapolis in 1872 to engage in a legal partnership with Thomas Lowry, four years later, he was elected to the bench of the Municipal Court and served for nine years. Broken in health by the exacting duties



of the position he was compelled to resign, and although he attempted with some success to take up further professional work, he gradually failed, and succumbed to the common lot of humanity August 20, 1884.

**CHARLES GRISWOLD,**

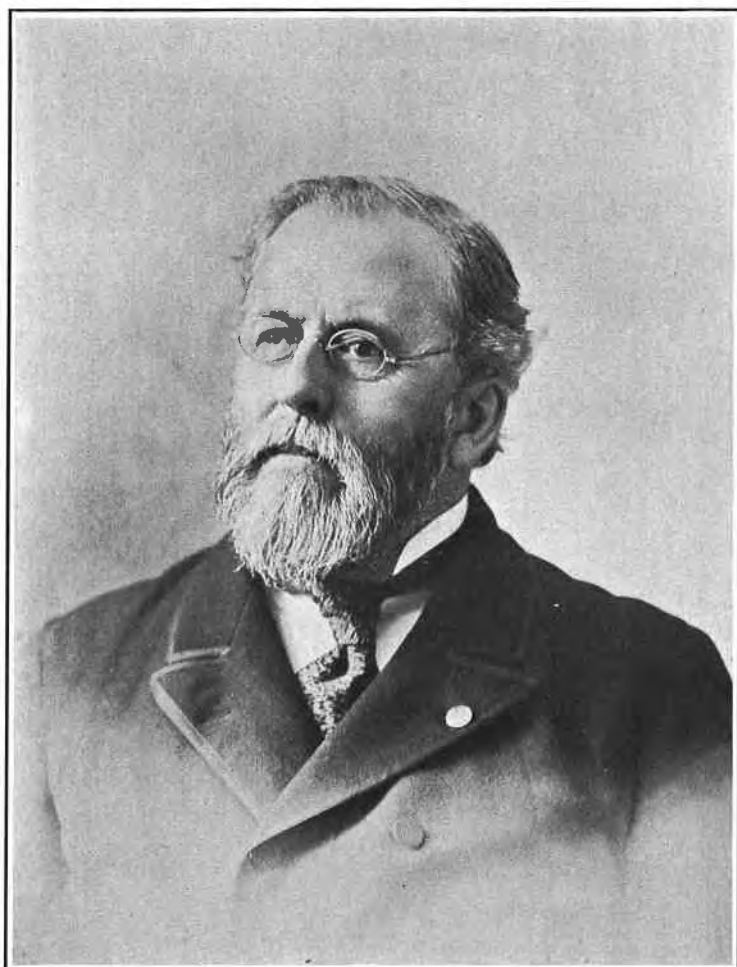
Seventh Grand Master.

1873—1875.

Charles Griswold was born in Manchester, Connecticut, October 7, 1832. His ancestors were of Puritan stock, and settled in the Nutmeg State as early as 1636. Passing through the public schools of his native town and graduating at the age of eighteen from Pine Grove Seminary, for three years he read medicine, removed to the West in 1854, and engaged in the government service as Land Surveyor, taking contracts from the Surveyor General's office, located at Dubuque, Iowa. Shortly afterwards he entered the Methodist ministry and joined the Methodist conference, and for the next fourteen years he was in charge of different churches of that denomination. He was a Presiding Elder for six years and the Chaplain of the First Minnesota Heavy Artillery during the Civil War. He was a member of the State Legislature in the winter of 1864-65. In the spring of 1880 he graduated from the Bennett Medical College of Chicago, and has since been engaged in the practice of medicine in St. Paul and more recently in North St. Paul, where he now resides.

Brother Griswold was made a Mason in Rockton Lodge, No. 74, of Illinois, January 27, 1855, and attained the Master Mason Degree May 15, 1856. On his removal to Minnesota he affiliated with Winona Lodge, No. 18, in 1862. On the organization of Rising Sun Lodge, No. 49, at St. Charles, October 26, 1864, he was a charter member. He was an active assistant in the formation of Paynesville Lodge, No. 71, in 1869, and was its first Master, both under the dispensation and under the charter, and appeared for the first time in 1870 in the Grand Lodge and was appointed Grand Chaplain. In the fall of 1870 he was elected Worshipful Master of Rising Sun Lodge, No. 49, and represented that Lodge in the Grand Lodge in 1871, when he was elected Deputy Grand Master and re-elected at the following session. January 15, 1873, he was elected Grand Master and re-elected at the Grand Communications of 1874 and 1875.

In other branches of Masonry he was a recipient of the Capitular degrees in Winona Chapter, No. 5, R. A. M., in the spring of 1864, and was created a Templar in Zion Commandery, No. 2, K. T., October 13, 1868. The Cryptic degrees were conferred upon him in Tyrian Council, No. 4, at Red Wing. In the Scottish Rite he has reached the dignity of the Thirty-second degree in the Bodies of the Rite at St. Paul and is a Past Wise Master of the Rose Croix Chapter of that city. He is likewise a life member of St. Paul Lodge,



*Fraternally Yours  
Charles Griswold*

THE SEVENTH GRAND MASTER.  
1873-1875.



No. 3; an honorary member of Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, and of Khurum Lodge, No. 112, and a member of the Masonic Veteran Association.

### A BLACK CONUNDRUM WISELY SOLVED.

In 1875 the question of recognizing colored Masons and their organizations was raised and advocated in the Grand Lodge of Ohio. A year later, by an extremely narrow margin, it was voted down.

Grand Master Griswold in his last annual (1876) Address called attention to the proposition, and it provoked eventually one of the liveliest debates ever held in the Grand Lodge.

After a somewhat prolonged presentation of the matter he said:

"My purpose has not been to urge you to take definite action at this session of the Grand Lodge, but rather to so direct your attention to the subject that you may give it that serious and intelligent consideration which its importance demands, and thus be prepared in one year from this time to adopt such measures with reference thereto as you in your wisdom deem the merits of the case require. While it might, and, in my opinion, would, be perfectly proper for us to extend Masonic recognition at once to those colored Lodges in our midst, if upon investigation it should appear that they are properly organized, yet with reference to the balance it is possible we should wait and only extend them formal recognition as they are recognized by the Grand Lodges within whose jurisdictions they now are found. But in the meantime we should make a declaration of principles and urge upon our sister Grand Lodges the propriety of speedily placing themselves in a proper relation to their colored brethren."

This portion of the address was referred to a committee of five with instructions "to report at this Communication if practicable, and if not at our next Annual Communication." Later in the session two colored Lodges, located in Minnesota, and also Lewis Hayden, on behalf of "Prince Hall Grand Lodge," presented petitions for recognition.

The bomb-shell had fallen. The fuse spluttered until the next Annual Communication, when it was extinguished before igniting the charge. Some twenty years later it was finally exploded in the Grand Lodge of Washington with well nigh disastrous results.

To anticipate a little, Grand Master Braden in his Address in 1877 said:

"I deprecate the bringing of this question in its present shape before the Grand Lodge. I cannot see how any good can grow out of it; evil may. The question has been before you for a year; it must be met at this session. I believe you are prepared to meet it and to settle it in accordance with the ancient law and usages of Masonry and not otherwise."

*It was so settled.* Pierson, Goodrich, and Griswold presented elaborate reports. In many respects they were the most able and

exhaustive ones ever filed in the Grand Lodge. All three are worthy of close examination and study. Pierson's was finally adopted. Its conclusions were wise, legal, and logical, and its adoption saved the Grand Lodge of Minnesota from committing a stupendous blunder.

First. *Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge of Minnesota declines to recognize the Prince Hall Grand Lodge, located in Boston, Massachusetts, for the reason of its irregular formation.

Second. *Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge cannot recognize charters as having any validity in this State except those issued by its authority, and that it cannot issue charters except to such Masons as are of its obedience.

Third. *Resolved*, That color is neither a bar to nor a recommendation for the reception of Masonic degrees in this jurisdiction, and that it is perfectly competent for any Lodge in this jurisdiction to make Masons of any parties possessing the required qualifications, viz.: "By being a man, free-born, of lawful age, of good report and well recommended."

The grave was dug. The body was buried. *Requiescat in pace.*

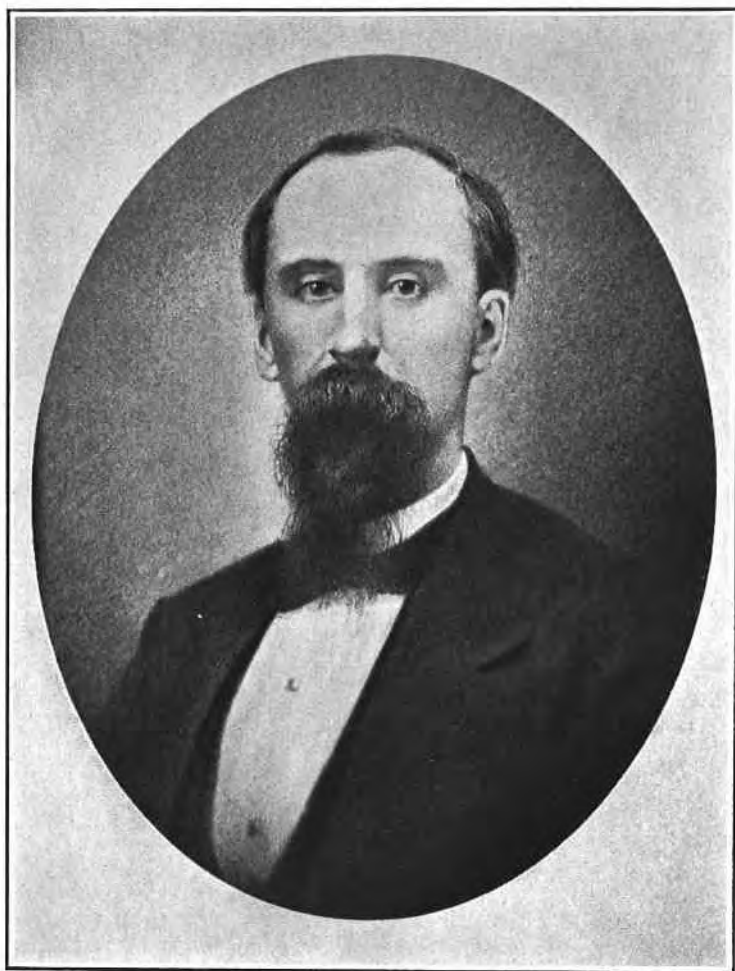
#### JAMES CLINTON BRADEN,

Eighth Grand Master,

1876—1877.

Plymouth, Ohio, was the place and May 1, 1835, was the time of the birth of Brother Braden. He was of Dutch and Scotch-Irish stock, and on his mother's side a relative of New York's distinguished Craftsman, De Witt Clinton. He was educated in the common schools at Iberia, Ohio, and in 1852 was employed as a clerk in a drug store at Galion, and had pursued the study of medicine for a year when his family moved to Salem, Indiana. During the summer he taught school, and was employed in his father's store of general merchandise the following winter. In the spring of 1854 the family moved to a farm in Lenora, Fillmore County, Minnesota. School teaching and farming divided his time until 1858, when he commenced his preparation for a ministerial life and settled at Hokah, officiating in the pulpit of the Methodist Episcopal church. While preaching in that town his attention was turned to Freemasonry, and he petitioned for membership and the degrees in Hokah Lodge, No. 17. He was initiated July 7th, passed August 7th, and was raised August 21, 1860. At the breaking out of the Civil War a sense of duty transferred him from the pulpit to the camp. Enlisting in the Sixth Regiment of Minnesota Volunteers, after the end of the Indian campaign, he became Adjutant to the Tenth Regiment, which was sent to St. Louis, where the Regiment and its officers gained a high reputation for their services in maintaining order and protecting the citizens. In company with his Colonel he was placed on detached service in St. Louis, and remained there until he was mustered out of service August 19, 1865. Returning to Minnesota he was elected





*Fraternally yours*  
*James C. Borden*

THE EIGHTH GRAND MASTER.

1876-1877.

Died December 9, 1877.



Clerk of the Court of Fillmore County, and in 1869 the position of Receiver of the United States Land Office at Greenleaf, Meeker County, was given him. The office was soon transferred to Litchfield, and when it was moved to Benson in 1874 he was appointed Register, and held the office until his death.

In 1867 he was married to Miss Mary C. Edwards of Chatfield; who, with two children, survived him.

Soon after his discharge from the Army he took up his Masonic work by affiliating with Preston Lodge, No. 36, February 28, 1866. At the next election he became Worshipful Master and represented the Lodge in the Grand Lodge in 1869. Meanwhile he had been exalted in North Star Chapter, No. 11, at Chatfield, March 28, 1868, and following his appearance in the Grand Lodge he had been created a Templar in Damascus Commandery, No. 1, November 25, 1869. As soon as he had transferred his residence to Litchfield he became a leading factor in the organization of Golden Fleece Lodge, No. 89, and was the Worshipful Master under the dispensation, as well as the first under the charter. As a representative of that Lodge he appeared on the floor of the Grand Lodge in 1873, 1874, and 1875. At the latter Communication he was elected Deputy Grand Master and a year later Grand Master. He was re-elected in 1877.

Failing health sent him south in November, 1877, and at San Antonio, Texas, the end came twenty-seven days after his arrival, December 9, 1877. Masonic officials in Texas and Missouri showed every attention to the stricken wife in her sorrowful journey with the body of the Grand Master to her distant home. He was buried December 16, 1877, at Litchfield and under the auspices of the Grand Lodge.

At the succeeding Session of the Grand Lodge, January 16, 1878, a Lodge of Sorrow, the first and last of the kind ever held by the Grand Lodge, gave expression to the feelings of his associates.

Among other tributes that of his Colonel was notable.

"He was naturally constituted with those traits of character which best impersonate Masonry. In its ministrations of charity, in its expressive symbols, and in its impressive teachings his warm heart found a royal home for its spontaneous desire. Simplicity and directness were the attributes of his character. The quality of insincerity found no place in his heart. He prosecuted no undertaking which his conscience did not approve. He had a supreme contempt for the artifices and miserable devices so common in almost every pursuit of life. Free from all irritability, asperity of temper never clouded his deliberations. From every feeling of malevolence he was absolutely free. No temptation was strong enough to induce him to wrong a human being. As a friend he was warm, devoted, and self-sacrificing. He was one of the kindest, brotherliest, truest human souls with which I ever met. His sense of honor was chivalric; his courage was no brute defiance of danger, but was that firmness and fortitude which is the true principle of duty. He had implicit faith in the immortality of the soul, that sublime doctrine taught in the mysterious chambers of Masonry more than three thousand years ago."

A marble tablet was erected in the Hall of Preston Lodge, No. 36, to perpetuate his memory, and Braden Lodge, No. 168, of St. Paul, was named in his honor.

The autograph appended to his portrait is the facsimile of the last he ever wrote.

**EDWARD WHITE DURANT,**

Ninth Grand Master.

1878.

Had Louis XIV. declined to have signed the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes in 1685, whoever else might have been the Ninth Grand Master of Minnesota, it would not have been Edward White Durant. His ancestors were Huguenots, men who hated tyranny and loved liberty, and who to escape the one and to secure the other emigrated from the priest-ridden hills and vales of France to the freer air of the Western world. One of his ancestors was a member and moderator of the Provincial Council at Boston, and was an active participant in the famous Tea Party of 1773. Some of his forefathers took an active part in the War of 1812. His grandfather was in command of a fort in Maine during that struggle, and a great uncle was surgeon on the United States sloop of war Essex, lost at sea.

In Massachusetts, where his ancestors, as stated, had gained a distinguished reputation for bravery in the struggle for freedom, and in the town of Roxbury Brother Durant was born, April 8, 1829. When he was only two years of age his father moved with his family to Cincinnati and later to Illinois, where the boyhood of the future Grand Master was passed in braving the hardships of a frontier farmer's life. In April, 1848, he sought his fortunes in the beautiful valley of the St. Croix, and began his Minnesota life by engaging in what was then the only industry in the locality of Stillwater, the lumber trade. Cutting lumber in the woods and rafting lumber down the river were natural introductions to the career of a pilot on the St. Croix and Mississippi, an occupation he followed for some years. With his associates he built and ran steamboats between Stillwater and St. Louis and lived a busy life. Interests on shore were not neglected, and in the years that have passed he has held many official positions in the gift of his fellow citizens. He was appointed Mayor of Stillwater in 1861, and subsequently was elected and re-elected for three terms. He has served in the House of Representatives for three terms and has had an equally long service as State Senator. He has been the candidate of the Democratic party for Lieutenant Governor and United States Senator.

Outside of politics he was elected, in 1874, Grand Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, and one of the pleasantest recollections of his life is his service as Borealis Rex, the Ice King of St. Paul in the Winter Carnival of 1888, when he conferred titles of nobility *galore*



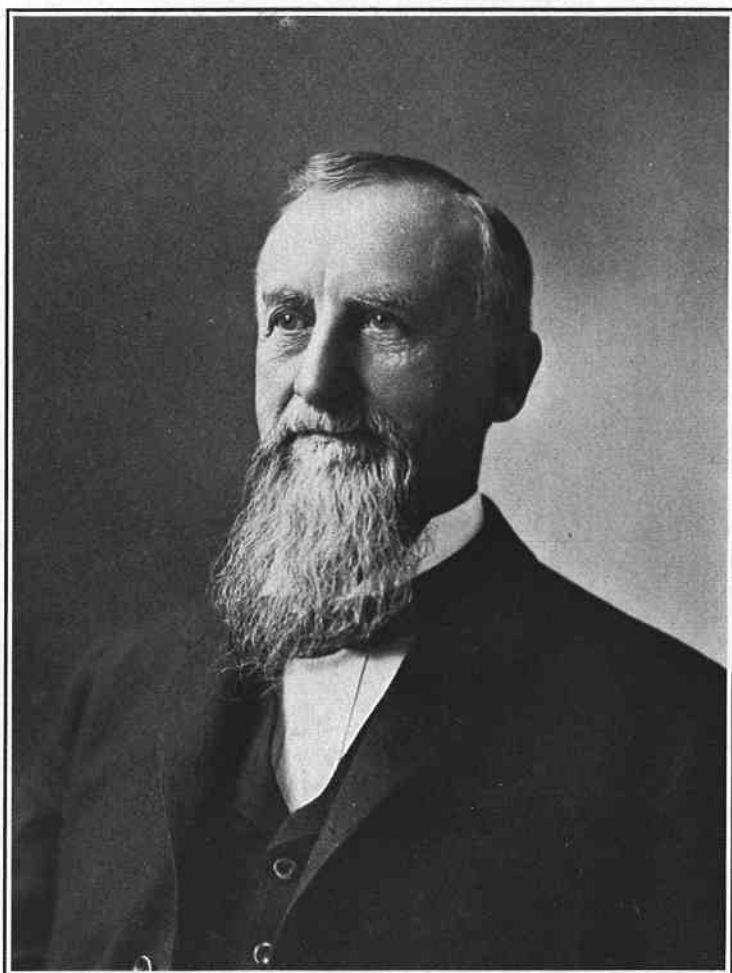
*E. M. Dwyer*

THE NINTH GRAND MASTER.  
1878.









*Comrs Fraternally*  
*Henry Rogers Wells.*

THE TENTH GRAND MASTER.  
1879-1881.

on many of his intimate friends and wiped out many of his social debts.

His Masonic life began as an initiate of Fulton City Lodge, No. 189, of Illinois, December 8, 1856; he was passed January 5th and was raised January 26, 1857. Affiliating with St. John's Lodge, No. 1, January 16, 1860, he was Senior Warden in 1865 and 1866 and was elected Worshipful Master and served during the year 1867. He was exalted November 16, 1875, in Washington Chapter, No. 17, R. A. M. As a Templar, he was knighted in Damascus Commandery, No. 1, K. T., August 22, 1877, and was a charter member of Bayard Commandery, No. 11, K. T., of Stillwater. He is a member of the Masonic Veteran Association.

Brother Durant was for many years a representative of his Lodge in the Grand Lodge. He was Grand Orator in 1877, and was elected Deputy Grand Master at that Session. Grand Master Braden dying while in office, the Deputy Grand Master performed the functions of the office for the unexpired term and delivered the address at the Session of 1878, at which he was elected Grand Master. Since his term expired he has given of his time and experience in service on many important committees.

### HENRY ROGERS WELLS,

Tenth Grand Master.

1879—1881.

Possibly none of the living Grand Masters of Minnesota have exercised a more conservative influence on the evolution and symmetrical growth of Minnesota Masonry than the tenth occupant of the Grand East.

Henry Rogers Wells was born in Luzerne, Warren County, New York, June 23, 1834. He was educated in the common schools, the Glen's Falls Academy and the People's College, trained in law in the offices of the Hon. Abraham Becker of South Worcester and of Judge Brown of Glen's Falls, New York, a training which was completed after his arrival in Minnesota, October 1, 1857, and after he had taught school during the winter of 1857-58 at Granger, Fillmore County, of this State.

On the first day of April, 1858, he entered the law office of Judge Henry C. Butler of Carimona, where he remained for six weeks, and then formed a partnership with Colonel John R. Jones of Chatfield, which lasted until the fall of 1859, when a similar partnership was formed with Judge Christopher G. Ripley, afterwards Chief Justice of Minnesota, and the Hon. James M. Cavanaugh, then a member of Congress. These business relations continued until Mr. Cavanaugh moved to Colorado in the spring of 1861.

The firm of Ripley & Wells continued until April, 1862, when the junior member journeyed overland to California on a mission of a personal nature and in the interests of other parties. He remained in California for five months, passed to Virginia City, Nevada, where he resided until May, 1865, when he returned to Minnesota by way of the Isthmus of Panama and New York. Arriving in Minnesota he settled at Preston in October, 1865, where he has since resided, engaged in the practice of law, and from 1874 in conducting as proprietor the Bank of Preston.

Brother Wells has possessed in a large degree the confidence of the political party with which he had always been affiliated until 1896, when he supported Mr. McKinley for the Presidency. But as that party has generally been in the minority he has seldom succeeded in being elected to positions for which he has been nominated.

He was appointed County Judge by Governor Sibley in 1859 to fill a vacancy. He was a member of the Democratic State committee for many years, chairman of the State Convention on two occasions, and a delegate to the National Democratic Convention at Cincinnati in 1880 and at Chicago in 1892. He has been nominated for Governor, also for Lieutenant Governor on two occasions, but declined the nominations. He was a candidate for County Judge in 1859 and 1867 and was defeated. He was again a candidate on the People's ticket in 1869 and was elected. He was the nominee of his party for the following positions, but was defeated, viz.: For the House of Representatives in 1861, Union ticket; for the same office in Story County, Nevada, in 1863; for the Senate in Minnesota in 1866; for District Judge on two several occasions, and for Congress in 1880. He was for twelve years a member of the Village Council of Preston, in five of which he filled the office of Mayor, and was eight years the Village Attorney. He was six years a member of the State Board of Charities and Corrections, over six years President of the State Bankers' Association, and the same number of years President of the State Good Roads Association. He is a member of the Old Settlers' Territorial Association and a life member of the State Historical Society, President of the Board of Trade of the Village of Preston, and a member of the Board of Education. He is a member of the Sons of the American Revolution and of the Society of Colonial Wars.

He was an earnest and enthusiastic supporter of the war for the Union. He was Lieutenant in the Chatfield Light Guards and enlisted with the Company in April, 1861, which was accepted as Company A, First Minnesota Regiment, but was afterwards rejected on technical ground. He assisted in raising Company A for Minnesota, Second Regiment, and another Company for Minnesota, Third Regiment, but owing to personal and business considerations he was unable to accompany either to the front.



Brother Wells was made an Entered Apprentice in Preston Lodge, No. 36, January 24th, a Fellow Craft February 7th, and was raised a Master Mason February 21, 1866. He has served in all the stations in the Blue Lodge and was Worshipful Master for seven years to and including 1878. He represented his Lodge in the Grand Lodge of Minnesota at the January Session of 1869, and has been in attendance and a member at each session from that time to the present. He was elected Junior Grand Warden in 1875, Senior Grand Warden in 1876, Deputy Grand Master in 1878, and Grand Master in 1879, 1880 and 1881. He was appointed chairman of the Committee on Appropriations and Finance in 1874, and served continuously as chairman of that committee until 1900, and as chairman proposed the resolution which is the basis of our Widows' and Orphans' fund. He has served continuously on the committee on Masonic Jurisprudence from 1882 to this time. As a Royal Arch Mason he was exalted in North Star Chapter, No. 11, R. A. M., January 11, 1868, and is a charter member of Preston Chapter, No. 32, R. A. M. He was created a Templar in Home Commandery, No. 5, K. T., January 14, 1870; was a charter member of Apollo Commandery, No. 12, and later of Malta Commandery, No. 25, of Preston. He has been High Priest of his Chapter, and was the first Eminent Commander of Malta Commandery, No. 25, of Preston. He has passed through the grades of the Scottish Rite, and is a member of those bodies in the Valley of Minneapolis, having attained to the Thirty-second degree. He is a Knight of the Red Cross of Constantine, and of the Masonic Veteran Association he has been and is one of its most valued and useful members.

#### A BATTLE ROYAL AVERTED.

At the time Brother Wells was elected Grand Master a dispute was raging between our Grand Lodge and that of Dakota Territory, then undivided. Grand Master Braden, under the advice of Grand Secretary Pierson, had refused to recognize the Grand Lodge of Dakota's claims to jurisdiction over three subordinate Lodges in Dakota which had been chartered by our Grand Lodge. Grand Master Wells investigated the matter, and thought it best to recognize what is deemed the American rule of Territorial jurisdiction and wired the subordinate Lodges to affiliate with the Grand Lodge of Dakota, thus settling the controversy and dispelling the gathering clouds of antagonism which seemed to be about to overshadow the Fraternity in the two Grand Lodge Jurisdictions. The Grand Lodge wisely acquiesced in his action at the next annual session, and it is but just to say that his course was approved by representative Masons throughout the country, many of whom complimented him in their reports and by letter for his course in the matter.

**CALEB HENRY BENTON,**

Eleventh Grand Master.

1882—1883.

Farmer's son, student, soldier, and lawyer are words which express the vocations of a life of less than fifty years, every one of which was crowded with earnest endeavor and faithful discharge of duty.

On February 26, 1841, in Lunenburg, Essex County, Vermont, Caleb Henry Benton was born, and in the city of Minneapolis, just after high twelve, November 10, 1890, without a moment's warning, the lamp of life was forever extinguished.

His early years were uneventful. At the age of twenty he had received such training as the country schools and academies of Vermont could afford him, and had just completed his first year in college. His education was continued in the camp and field, for on August 21, 1861, he enlisted as a private in Company D, Fifth Regiment of Vermont Infantry, and served until the completion of his term of enlistment in August, 1864. He was made Sergeant-Major December 31, 1861, promoted to Second Lieutenant July 9, 1862, as a reward for distinguished valor at Savage Station. January 24, 1863, he was again promoted to the First Lieutenancy of his Company, and early in February, 1863, he was detailed as Adjutant of his regiment, and held the position until he was mustered out of service. He was engaged in many of the greatest battles of the Civil War, among some of the most important of which may be mentioned Lee's Mills, Williamsburg, The Seven Days' Fight, Golding's Farm, White Oak Swamp, Savage Station, Malvern Hill, Crampton's Gap, Antietam, First and Second Fredericksburg, including Marye's Heights, Salem Heights, Banks' Ford, Chancellorsville, Funkstown and Williamsport. He was at Rappahannock Station during the winter of 1863-4, south of the Rapidan, in the Wilderness, at Spottsylvania, Cold Harbor and Petersburg, and fought his last fight in that war at historic Charlestown, Virginia. His army record shows that he was not absent from his Regiment a single day during his entire term of service, and that his hospital record was entirely blank. No wonder, then, that he was proud of his record as a soldier!

After the war he returned to Vermont, entered the Albany Law School, graduated in 1866, settled to the practice of his profession at South Troy, Vermont, and married Miss Flora Hadley, who, with two children, died previous to his removal to Minneapolis in 1871.

In Minnesota he rapidly acquired a high rank in the practice of law and was regarded as one of the leading lawyers of the State. It was said that he was a fair opponent, but a hard fighter, and, above all things, he abhorred trickery and deceit. In 1875 he was again married to Miss Jeanette Graham, who died in 1885, leaving him three children.



*CH Brinton*

THE ELEVENTH GRAND MASTER.

1882-1883.

Died November 10, 1890.



His Masonic career began in Vermont after his discharge from the Army. He was initiated and passed January 11th and raised February 11, 1865, in Mount Vernon Lodge, No. 8, and was dimitted February 5, 1868. On his arrival in Minnesota he affiliated with Hennepin Lodge, No. 4, November 13, 1872. He was elected Junior Warden of that Lodge in 1874, Senior Warden in 1875, and Worshipful Master in 1876, 1877 and 1878. He entered the Grand Lodge in 1875, where his abilities were quickly recognized, and he was appointed to positions on various committees to the lasting advantage of the Grand Lodge. He was then appointed Grand Sword Bearer. He was elected Senior Grand Warden in 1878, Deputy Grand Master in 1879 and 1880, and Most Worshipful Grand Master in 1882 and 1883. He was a member of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances in 1876 and 1877, chairman of the Committee on Obituaries in 1878, a member of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence in 1879, and of the Grand Lodge Funds in 1880. He was a member of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence and Residue of Address in 1882 and was chairman of the Committees on Masonic Jurisprudence for 1885, 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889 and 1890. In 1887 he was also a member of the Committees on Legislation, on A.° & A.° S.° Rite, on Decisions of the Grand Master and Perpetual Jurisdiction. In 1890 he was also chairman of the Committee on Cerneauism. He took the Capitular Degrees in St. Anthony Falls Royal Arch Chapter, No. 3, in 1879; the M.° M.° and P.° M.° Degrees on February 8th, and the M.° E.° M.° and Royal Arch Degrees on February 13, 1879. On June 14, 1879, he was elected P.° S.°, and on June 12, 1880, was elected High Priest and was re-elected June 11, 1881. The Cryptic Degrees he took in Adoniram Council, No. 5; also in 1879, receiving all the degrees on April 14th. On December 8, 1879, he was elected P.° C.° of W.° and Thrice Illustrious Master December 13, 1880. He was Knighted in Darius Commandery, No. 7, K.° T.°, in 1879, receiving the degree of Red Cross on May 9th and Knight Templar May 16th. He was elected Captain General March 1, 1880; Generalissimo, April 4, 1881; Eminent Commander, April 3, 1882, and was re-elected Eminent Commander March 5, 1883. Our distinguished Brother was also a member of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Bodies for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America. All the degrees from the Fourth to the Thirty-second inclusive were conferred upon him by Venerable Brother Albert Pike on September 24, 1879. He was made Inspector General Honorary (Thirty-third degree) September 6, 1883. He affiliated with the Scottish Rite Bodies in Minneapolis January 9, 1880; was elected J.° W.° in Lodge of Perfection January 15, 1880, and retained that office until 1886. He was elected First Sub-Preceptor (Thirtieth degree) January 28, 1880, and remained in that position until 1886. He was also elected M.° of K.° April 27, 1880, and was such officer until January, 1884. December 10,



1887, he was elected and initiated a member of the Royal Order of Scotland.

Four days after his death, November 14, 1890, the Grand Lodge surrounded his grave in Lakewood and consigned his body to *Mother Earth* with the usual solemnities.

### HENRY ROCKWOOD DENNY,

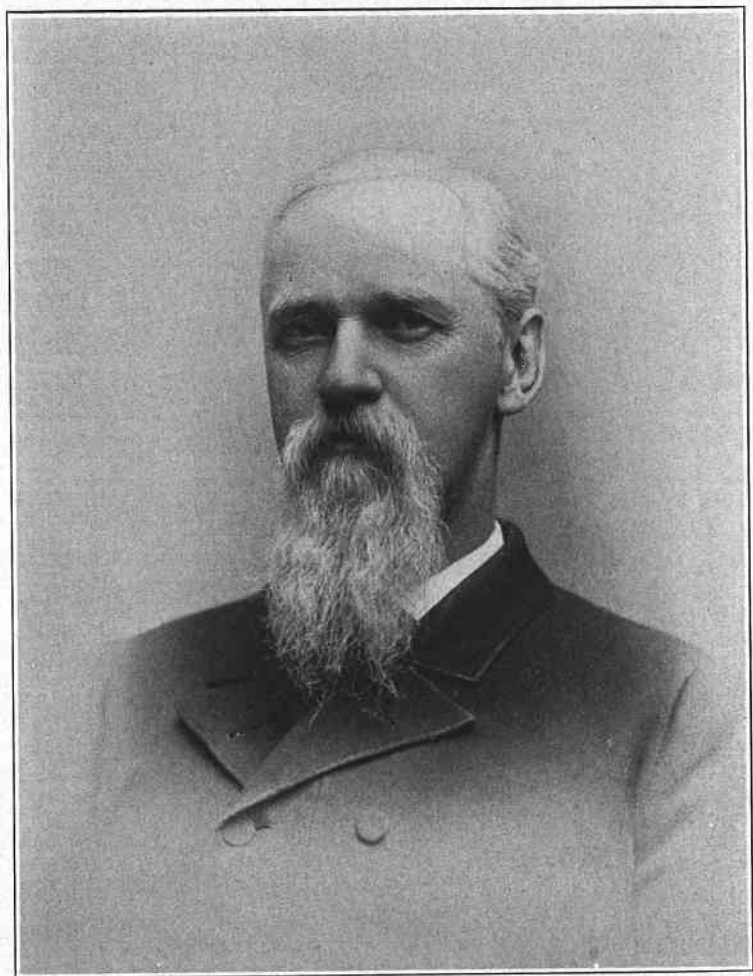
Twelfth Grand Master.

1884—1885.

Brother Denny is a native of New Hampshire, having been born in Keene February 22, 1839. At the age of six his residence was changed to Leicester, Massachusetts, where in the public schools of the town, and later in the famous Leicester Academy, he received a thorough education and graduated from the course that had fitted him to follow the vocation of a civil engineer. In April, 1860, he came West and settled in Waupaca County, Wisconsin. There he held a number of town offices, and among others that of postmaster. He was married December 8, 1863, to Miss Serena A. Sorenson of Weyauwega, Wisconsin. He has been the father of six children, of whom three daughters and a son survive.

He became a resident of Carver, Minnesota, in April, 1867. He was the Town Supervisor and Treasurer and a member of the School Board, as well as postmaster for thirteen years. He was a representative from Carver County in the State Legislature in 1874, 1876, 1879 and 1881. President Arthur appointed him United States Marshal for the District of Minnesota in February, 1882, and he was reappointed by Justice Mitchell February, 1886. In 1888 and 1889 he served by election as Secretary of the State Agricultural Society. In later years he has been a resident of St. Paul, and in May, 1898, was elected a member of the City Assembly and was re-elected May, 1900. He was President of the Common Council in 1899.

His Masonic career began in Wisconsin. In Waupaca Lodge, No. 123, he was initiated August 11th, was passed August 25th, and was raised September 8, 1863. On his removal to Minnesota he became a charter member of Carver Lodge, No. 111, and was the first Senior Warden. For three years he was Master of his Lodge. He was appointed Grand Senior Steward in 1879 and 1880, was elected Senior Grand Warden in 1881 and 1882, Deputy Grand Master in 1883, and Grand Master for the years 1884 and 1885. He was exalted in Globe Chapter, No. 13, June 16, 1869; was dubbed a Templar in Zion Commandery, No. 2, October 8, 1872, and was invested with the Cryptic Degrees in Minneapolis Council, No. 2, Nov. 24, 1879. During the months of March and May, 1884, he received all the degrees of the Scottish Rite conferred in the Minneapolis Bodies, and as final honor in the Rite was awarded the dignity of Knight Commander of



*H. R. Denny*

THE TWELFTH GRAND MASTER.  
1884-1885.



ROSTER OF MEMBERS OF THE MASONIC VETERAN ASSOCIATION OF MINNESOTA—Continued.\*\*

Certificate Number.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE. (Minnesota.)	Date Made Master Mason.	Date of Election to Membership in M. V. A.	PRESENT LODGE MEMBERSHIP.	
					Lodge.	No. State.
470	John Henry Rippe.....	Minneapolis.....	July 20, 1857.....	Feb. 23, 1903.....	Minneapolis.....	19 Minn.
471	Augustus Parish.....	Sandstone.....	May 20, 1873.....	Feb. 23, 1903.....	Sandstone.....	234 Minn.
472	Joseph Smith.....	Crookston.....	Oct. 14, 1876.....	Feb. 23, 1903.....	Crookston.....	141 Minn.
473	Walter Dixon.....	Kimball.....	April 26, 1866.....	Feb. 23, 1903.....	Plumb Line.....	173 Minn.
474	Benjamin F. Hartshorn.....	Walker.....	Dec. 19, 1855.....	Feb. 23, 1903.....	Crescent.....	207 Minn.
475	James Marlin.....	St. Paul.....	Aug. 13, 1880.....	Feb. 23, 1903.....	St. Paul.....	8 Minn.
476	George Herbert.....	St. Paul.....	Nov. 15, 1881.....	Feb. 23, 1903.....	Summit.....	163 Minn.
477	William Gay Bronson.....	Stillwater.....	Feb. 11, 1867.....	Feb. 23, 1903.....	St. Johns.....	1 Minn.
478	George H. Warren.....	Minneapolis.....	June 4, 1868.....	Mch. 14, 1903.....	Khurum.....	112 Minn.
479	David Crim Gardner.....	Mantorville.....	April 25, 1874.....	Mch. 14, 1903.....	Washington.....	98 Minn.
480	Oliver John Lawson.....	Waseca.....	Mch. 24, 1879.....	Mch. 14, 1903.....	Tuscan.....	77 Minn.
481	Joseph A. Tiney.....	Hutchinson.....	Nov. 27, 1890.....	Mch. 14, 1903.....	Temple.....	59 Minn.
482	George M. Dow.....	Appleton.....	April 13, 1877.....	Mch. 14, 1903.....	Appleton.....	137 Minn.
483	Arthur Willis Perry.....	St. Paul.....	Feb. 4, 1881.....	Mch. 14, 1903.....	Summit.....	163 Minn.

\*\*For preceding names and data of Active Members, see Vol. I, pages 262 *et seq.* of the Proceedings of the Association.

For obvious reasons the annual publication of a complete roster of the Association is abandoned. Hereafter it will appear in full once in three or five years, and the accessions of the year only will be printed in the Annual Proceedings. There are now (March 4, 1903) 426 Active Members and 24 Honorary Members, a total of 450 members of the Association.

## ROSTER OF MEMBERS OF THE MASONIC VETERAN ASSOCIATION OF MINNESOTA—Continued.\*\*

Certificate Number.	NAME.	RESIDENCE. (Minnesota.)	Date Made Master Mason.	Date of Election to Membership in M. V. A.	PRESENT LODGE MEMBERSHIP.		
					Lodge.	No.	State.
433	George Melvin Warren.....	Spring Valley.....	Dec. 2, 1869	Feb. 23, 1902	Spring Valley.....	58	Minn.
434	Jonathan Selby Lee.....	Spring Valley.....	May 9, 1867	Feb. 23, 1902	Spring Valley.....	58	Minn.
435	John P. Porter.....	Red Wing.....	June 3, 1878	June 30, 1902	Red Wing.....	5	Minn.
436	Otto C. R. Paeel.....	St. Paul.....	Feb. 6, 1863	June 30, 1902	Ancient Landmark.	8	Minn.
437	Henry Chapman Shepard.....	St. Paul.....	April 26, 1881	June 30, 1902	Winona.....	18	Minn.
438	Newton Tyler Humm.....	Minneapolis.....	June 18, 1866	June 30, 1902	Minneapolis.....	19	Minn.
439	Eugene Woodworth McCord.....	St. Paul.....	April 22, 1881	Dec. 11, 1902	Capital City.....	217	Minn.
440	Josiah Blodgett Chaney.....	St. Paul.....	Aug. 13, 1852	Dec. 11, 1902	Summit.....	163	Minn.
441	Milton McFadden.....	Brainerd.....	Sept. 19, 1881	Dec. 11, 1902	Aurora.....	100	Minn.
442	Walter George Tubby.....	St. Paul.....	June 27, 1881	Dec. 11, 1902	Summit.....	167	Minn.
443	Charles Mitchell.....	St. Paul.....	Sept. 2, 1881	Dec. 11, 1902	St. Paul.....	217	Minn.
444	George Washington Tanner.....	St. Paul.....	April 1, 1871	Jan. 31, 1903	Capital City.....	3	Minn.
445	Walter H. Gould.....	Minneapolis.....	Dec. 15, 1880	Jan. 31, 1903	Minnesota.....	224	Minn.
446	George K. Chipman.....	Minneapolis.....	Jan. 8, 1866	Jan. 31, 1903	Plymouth.....	160	Minn.
447	Walter Crist Fischer.....	St. Paul.....	Dec. 6, 1881	Jan. 31, 1903	Capital City.....	217	Minn.
448	Tisdale Eddy Fellows.....	White Bear.....	Feb. 3, 1875	Jan. 31, 1903	St. John.....	1	Minn.
449	Jabez A. Brant.....	Minneapolis.....	June 24, 1873	Jan. 31, 1903	Franklin.....	18	Kan.
450	Thomas Henry Warren.....	St. Paul.....	Sept. 19, 1881	Jan. 31, 1903	St. John.....	1	Minn.
451	Allen Huey.....	Stillwater.....	Sept. 7, 1874	Jan. 31, 1903	St. John.....	1	Minn.
452	John Gustave Nelson.....	Stillwater.....	June 14, 1867	Jan. 31, 1903	St. John.....	1	Minn.
453	Charles William Jellison.....	Stillwater.....	Oct. 11, 1881	Jan. 31, 1903	St. John.....	1	Minn.
454	Otto K. Fehhaber.....	Minneapolis.....	Mar. 11, 1881	Jan. 31, 1903	Minneapolis.....	19	Minn.
455	Charles Warlich.....	St. Paul.....	Mar. 23, 1871	Jan. 31, 1903	Waterloo.....	105	Iowa.
456	William Solomon Combs.....	St. Paul.....	Mar. 9, 1854	Jan. 31, 1903	Ancient Landmark.	5	Minn.
457	George William Buck.....	Duluth.....	Mar. 9, 1877	Feb. 23, 1903	Dalles.....	108	Penn.
458	Orlando Silas Parker.....	Coquet.....	May 9, 1881	Feb. 23, 1903	Ark.....	176	Minn.
459	Herbert Lyman Boomhower.....	Minneapolis.....	June 23, 1875	Feb. 23, 1903	St. John.....	171	Minn.
460	William Dennis King.....	Minneapolis.....	Aug. 14, 1876	Feb. 23, 1903	Northwestern.....	105	Wis.
461	William Franklin McGray.....	Stillwater.....	Jan. 28, 1881	Feb. 23, 1903	Summit.....	163	Minn.
462	William Newton.....	Glencoe.....	April 18, 1881	Feb. 23, 1903	Hope.....	42	Minn.
463	Henry Little Simons.....	Minneapolis.....	July 30, 1876	Feb. 23, 1903	Capitol.....	8	Neb.
464	Lewis Monyer Rheem.....	St. Paul.....	Jan. 28, 1881	Feb. 23, 1903	Summit.....	163	Minn.
465	Andrew J. Fowler.....	St. Paul.....	June 28, 1864	Feb. 23, 1903	Summit.....	163	Minn.
466	Robert E. Ware.....	St. Paul.....	Sept. 28, 1864	Feb. 23, 1903	Summit.....	176	Minn.
467	Edwin L. Fryer.....	St. Paul.....	April 4, 1890	Feb. 23, 1903	Summit.....	163	Minn.
468	Jacob Hieronimus Heisser.....	Minneapolis.....	Nov. 13, 1897	Feb. 23, 1903	Ark.....	176	Minn.
469	Bernard Zimmermann.....	St. Paul.....	Oct. 13, 1881	Feb. 23, 1903	Ancient Landmark.	5	Minn.



## ROSTER OF HONORARY MEMBERS OF THE MASONIC VETERAN ASSOCIATION OF MINNESOTA.

Certi- ficate No.	NAMES AND RANK.		RESIDENCE.	Date Made Master Mason.	Date of Election to Membership in M. V. A.	MEMBERSHIP IN	
						Lodge.	No. State.
1	Henry R. Wells, P. G. M. (a)		Preston, Minn.	Feb. 21, 1888	Dec. 3, 1892	Preston	36 Minn.
2	Royal Hatch Gove, P. G. M. (a)		Rochester, Minn.	July 3, 1885	Jan. 10, 1893	Rochester	21 Minn.
3	William Lee, P. J. G. W. *		Hastings, Minn.	Sept. 6, 1845	Jan. 11, 1893	Mount Moriah	35 Minn.
4	George Henry Davis, P. G. M., Idaho.		Mankato, Minn.	March 9, 1868	Jan. 12, 1893	Markato	12 Minn.
5	Henry R. Denny, P. G. M. (c)		St. Paul, Minn.	Sept. 8, 1863	Jan. 12, 1893	Carver	111 Minn.
6	Philo Patterson Hubbell*		Winona, Minn.	May 1, 1890	Jan. 12, 1893	Winona	18 Minn.
7	John Corson Smith, P. G. M. (c)		Chicago, Ill.	May 21, 1859	March 3, 1893	Miners	273 Ill.
8	Theodore Sutton Parvin, G. Sec. P. G. M. *		Cedar Rapids, Ia.	May 1, 1898	March 3, 1893	Iowa	2
9	Josiah Hayden Drummond, P. G. M. (c) *		Portland, Me.	Jan. 27, 1849	March 3, 1893	Waterville	83 Me.
10	John James Bell, P. G. M. *		Exeter, N. H.	Dec. 17, 1849	March 3, 1893	Star in the East	59 N. H.
11	George William Speth, P. M. *		London, Eng.	Dec. 25, 1872	March 3, 1893	Outdoor Coronati.	297 Eng.
12	Francis Ashbury Blades (c)		Detroit, Mich.	March 3, 1893	March 3, 1893	Kilwinning	296 Mich.
13	Edwin Allen Sherman (c)		Oakland, Cal.	June 6, 1850	March 3, 1893	Oakland	188 Cal.
14	Charles Griswold, P. G. M. (c)		St. Paul, Minn.	May 1, 1890	Jan. 11, 1894	St. Paul	3 Minn.
15	Jacob A. Kiesler, P. G. M.		Blue Earth Cy. Minn.	May 17, 1873	June 1, 1894	Blue Earth City	57 Minn.
16	Thomas Jefferson Lombard, P. S. G. W. (a)		Hudson, Wis.	Dec. 10, 1893	Jan. 13, 1896	King Solomon.	44 Minn.
17	Daniel Sicks*		Brooklyn, N. Y.	May 19, 1848	Jan. 13, 1896	Aurora Grati.	736 N. Y.
18	William Wallace Lee, P. G. M. (c)		Meriden Conn.	Sept. 1, 1894	Jan. 16, 1895	Meridian	77 Conn.
19	Mannet Ruiz Inza*		Havana, Cuba.	April 5, 1895	Jan. 16, 1895	Armor Fraternal.	5 Cuba.
20	De Witt Clinton Greger, P. G. M. *		Chicago, Ill.	Jan. 17, 1890	Jan. 17, 1895	Blaney	271 Ill.
21	Benjamin Franklin Chase*		San Francisco, Cal.	Dec. 14, 1854	Jan. 17, 1895	Blaney	271 Ill.
22	George Washington Prescott, P. G. M.		Hyde Park, Mass	Sept. 8, 1824	Jan. 15, 1896	Morning Star	Mass.
23	Henry Augustus Denny*		Brooklyn, N. Y.	June 10, 1893	Jan. 15, 1896	Acanthus	719 N. Y.
24	Amasa H. Nichols (c)		New York, N. Y.	April 25, 1851	Jan. 15, 1896	Alma	728 N. Y.
25	Theophilus Pratt (c)		Dodge Center, Minn.	Sept. 4, 1887	Jan. 13, 1897	Relief	108 Minn.
26	James Alexander Starnes*		New Orleans, La.	April 3, 1862	Jan. 15, 1898	Quatuor Coronati.	2076 Eng.
27	William James Hughan (c)		Torquay, England.	July 14, 1863	Jan. 15, 1898	Jasper	164 Minn.
28	Laurey McKee (b)		Rush City, Minn.	Dec. 7, 1848	Jan. 10, 1899	St. John's Chapel.	1 Scot.
29	Charles Fendelow (c)		Wolverhampton, Eng.	May 24, 1855	Jan. 11, 1899	DeLorraine	541 Eng.
30	Ferdinand Fritz Schnitzer (c)		New Castle on Tyne, Eng.	April 25, 1872	Jan. 11, 1899	Hijos de la Vinda	7 Cuba.
31	Francisco de Paulo Rodriguez (c)		Havana, Cuba.	May 4, 1847	Jan. 17, 1900	St. John Woodhall	965 Scot.
32	William McMurdo (c)		Motherwell, Scot.	Dec. 7, 1878	Jan. 17, 1900	St. John's	573 Scot.
33	James Cameron (c)		Hamilton, Scot.	March 6, 1875	Jan. 17, 1900	Largsdale St. Andrews	186 Minn.
34	Henry Dyer (c)		Motherwell, Scot.	Aug. 1, 1874	Jan. 17, 1900	Ionic	9 Minn.
35	John Wadlin Miller (b)		Duluth, Minn.	Mich. 1, 1850	Jan. 22, 1901	St. Paul	2148 Eng.
36	Matthew Craig (b)		St. Paul, Minn.	Mich. 25, 1845	Dec. 31, 1901	St. Paul	9 Minn.
37	Henry Sadler (c)		London, Eng.	Mich. 11, 1863	Jan. 22, 1902	Walstingham	1 Eng.
38	George William Hiltz (b)		Stillwater, Minn.	Nov. 4, 1848	Feb. 28, 1902	St. Johns	1 Minn.
39	John Francis Martin (b)		Winona, Minn.	Nov. 24, 1845	Feb. 28, 1902	Winona	18 Minn.
40	William John Chetwode Crawley (c)		Dublin, Ireland	Nov. 8, 1873	Feb. 28, 1903	Trinity College	357 Irel'd.
41	Amos Dudley Seward (c)		Ventura, Cal.	April 2, 1864	Feb. 28, 1903	San Buenaventura.	214 Cal.

\* Deceased

c For eminent services to Masonry.

b Over fifty years a Master Mason.

a Transferred to list of active members.

Maine, and as such he wielded an influence that was felt throughout the Masonic world.

Thus in ever increasing numbers are our brothers being called by the Supreme Grand Master of the universe to leave these earthly Lodges and to enter the Lodge above, "not made with hands, eternal in the heavens." "May they rest in peace, and may light eternal shine upon them." We drop the tear of fraternal affection upon their tombs, we honor them for the fidelity displayed in their lives, whatever of human frailty they had we cover with the broad mantle of charity, and we would seek to emulate in our own lives and characters whatever of nobility and integrity they possessed.

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE H. DAVIS.

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 1903.

The Association proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year, and the following were chosen:

President—Bro. Edwin Prince Capen of Minneapolis.

First Vice President—Bro. Thomas C. Clark of Stillwater.

Second Vice President—Bro. William Pitt Murray of St. Paul.

Treasurer—Bro. Israel B. B. Sprague of St. Paul.

Secretary—Bro. Giles W. Merrill of St. Paul.

Marshal—Bro. Sheldon L. Frazer of Duluth.

Bro. Geo. H. Davis of Mankato was appointed Chaplain.

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The gift to the Association of the "History of Mankato Lodge, No. 12," by its author, Venerable Bro. C. A. Chapman, was placed in the archives.

As partial compensation for the abandonment of the Annual Feast, Brother George R. Metcalf gave notice that seats had been reserved for the Veterans at the Semi-Centennial Observance to-morrow evening, and that an effort would be made to have a full report of the Golden Jubilee included in that edition of our Proceedings usually issued in pamphlet form to our members.

On motion, the Proceedings were ordered to be printed and distributed as usual.

Receipts of the evening from twenty-one petitioners were \$105.

Adjourned.

GILES W. MERRILL,

*Secretary.*

loving tribute, must be added the names of two of our honorary members, men of distinguished character and prominent both as Masons and citizens.

Brother DANIEL SICKELS of Brooklyn died on the eighteenth day of January, 1902, at the ripe age of nearly eighty-seven years. Bro. Sickels was born in New York City March 25, 1815. He was made a Mason in Lebanon Lodge, No. 191, New York City, being initiated May 11, 1848, passed May 19, 1848, and raised the same day.

At the time of his death he was a member of Aurora Grata Lodge, No. 756, Brooklyn, of Constellation Chapter, No. 209, Brooklyn, of Columbian Council, No. 1, Palestine Commandery, No. 18, and New York Consistory, all of New York City. Bro. Sickels was an active and devoted Mason during his entire life after his admission to the Order. In his application for membership in this Veteran Association he said: "Masonry and the effort to practice its sublime teachings have occupied all the time I could spare from my business and the support of my family." He attained to many prominent and honorable positions in the various bodies of which he was a member, serving as Worshipful Master of his Lodge, High Priest of his Chapter, and Eminent Commander of his Commandery. He was also Grand Junior Warden of the Grand Lodge of New York, and for eighteen years was Secretary General of the Supreme Council of the A. A. S. R.

On the twenty-fifth day of October, 1902, our brothers in far distant Maine were called to pay their last tribute of love and esteem to one of the most distinguished members of our Order, JOSIAH HAYDEN DRUMMOND, who died at his home in Portland. Bro. Drummond was born in Winslow, Me., August 30, 1827. In Waterville Lodge, No. 33, he received the degrees of Masonry, being initiated January 1, 1849, passed January 8, and raised January 15 of the same year. At the time of his death he was a member of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 13, of Portland Council, No. 4, of Blanquefort Commandery, No. 13, and of Maine Consistory, all of Portland. Bro. Drummond was distinguished in almost every walk of life. Upright and public spirited as a citizen, eminent as a lawyer, a leader in the councils of his political party, he was known and honored throughout the state. The confidence in which he was held by his fellow citizens was attested by the numerous responsible places he was called to fill, and he never failed to discharge his trust with fidelity. He was especially prominent in the work done in the Masonic fraternity, attaining to the highest rank in the subordinate and grand bodies of which he was a member. His name is inseparably interwoven with the history of Masonry, both in his native state and in the country at large. For nearly thirty-seven years he was the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of

1858. Previous to this time he had received his Masonic degrees in Columbus Lodge, No. 75, Columbus, Wis., being initiated December, 1858, passed January, 1859, and raised January 31, 1859.

He died a member of Rochester Lodge, No. 21, and of Halcyon Chapter, R. A. M., No. 8.

Brother BENJAMIN JOHN KNAPP, Marshal of the Association, died October 1, 1902. He was born in Michigan April 1, 1846. His Masonic degrees were received in Hokah Lodge, No. 17, Hokah, Minn., where he was initiated September 6, 1870, passed September 27, 1870, and raised October 4, 1870, and at one time served as its Master. He was a member of St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, and by that Lodge he was buried.

Brother JOHN DENNIS GOOD died December 11, 1902. He was born in Harrisburg, Pa., January 31, 1841, and came to Minnesota in 1862. On the twenty-eighth of March, 1868, he was made an Entered Apprentice in Hennepin Lodge, No. 4, passed to the degree of Fellow Craft April 11, 1868, and raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason May 13th of the same year. At the time of his death he was a member of Golden Sheaf Lodge, No. 133, and of Mount Lebanon Chapter, R. A. M., No. 47, both of Morris, of Minneapolis Council, No. 2, Minneapolis, of Bethel Commandery, K. T., No. 19, Morris, and of Minneapolis Consistory, No. 2, Minneapolis.

Bro. Good was known as an active, successful and benevolent business man, one whose influence and work will long survive in the community.

Brother JAMES N. CASTLE was called to rest January 2, 1903. He was born in Shefford, Canada, May 23, 1836, and came to Minnesota in the year 1862. In 1865 he received his Masonic degrees in St. John's Lodge, No. 1, Stillwater, being initiated January 2, passed March 18, and raised June 5. At the time of his decease he was a member of St. John's Lodge, of Washington Chapter and Bayard Commandery. In the Grand Lodge of Minnesota he attained the rank of Deputy Grand Master, and in the Grand Chapter that of Grand High Priest.

Bro. Castle was a lawyer by profession and attained an eminent position among his legal associates. In political life he was active and influential. For ten years he was a member of the state senate of Minnesota, and in 1890 was elected a member of congress, serving one term. By his death one of Minnesota's distinguished and respected citizens has been called away, and the Craft is called to mourn the loss of a loved and esteemed brother.

To this long list of active members of this Association whose loss we are called to mourn, and to whose virtues we would pay our

his decease, its President. As a business man he was energetic, successful and trusted.

Brother ALBERT WILLIAM STOCKTON died on the second day of May, 1902. He was made a Mason in Richland Lodge, No. 66, Richland Centre, Wis., being initiated March 26, 1870, passed July 7, and raised August 4. At the time of his death he was a member of Faribault Lodge, No. 9, of Tyrian Chapter, R. A. M., No. 6, and of Faribault Commandery, K. T., No. 8. In the Commandery he attained to the rank of Eminent Commander. For three years during the Civil War he served his country in the army. In civil life Bro. Stockton was an active and successful business man, and a public spirited citizen. He occupied many positions of honor and trust, during the last twelve years of his life being state senator, and always acquitted himself in such manner as to win the confidence and respect of his fellow citizens.

Brother CALVIN SLITER ULINÉ died May 17, 1902. He was born in West Sand Lake, N. Y., July 22, 1832, and became a resident of Minnesota in 1856, making his home in St. Paul. At the request of Harrison Lodge, No. 1, Vincennes, Ind., he was made a Mason in Marion Lodge, No. 35, Indianapolis, Ind., being initiated August 10, 1855, passed August 13, 1855, and raised during the same year, the exact date not being given in the reports at hand. At the time of his death he was a member of Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 5, St. Paul.

During the Civil War Bro. Uline had a distinguished and brilliant career, entering the army as second lieutenant of the Second Minnesota Volunteers, and being promoted from time to time until, at the close of the war, he was in command of his regiment with the rank of lieutenant colonel.

In civil life he filled many positions of responsibility, being treasurer of Ramsey county for ten years, and for many years occupying prominent positions of trust in the service of the great railroads centering in St. Paul.

Brother JAMES MIDDLETON died September 2, 1902. He was born in Ireland, May 20, 1833, and came to Minnesota, with his parents, in 1841. He was made a Mason in St. John's Lodge, No. 1, Stillwater, being initiated January 2, 1865, passed March 6, 1865, and raised June 5, 1865. At the time of his decease he was a member of Braden Lodge, No. 168, of Damascus Commandery, K. T., No. 1, and of Minnesota Consistory, No. 1. In 1876 he represented his county (Washington) in the state legislature, this being the only public office he ever held.

Brother ALBERT D. VEDDER died September 18, 1902. He was born in Root, N. Y., October 19, 1832, and came to Minnesota in



mandery, K. T., No. 25, all of Preston. He served the Craft as Master of his Lodge, High Priest of his Chapter, and Eminent Commander of his Commandery. He was always interested in the work of the Grand Lodge and at one time occupied the position of Grand Pursuivant. He had a creditable record as a soldier during the Civil War.

Brother JOHN CARL TERRY died February 15, 1902. He was born in Lebanon, Ohio, September 1, 1824. He received his Masonic degrees in Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 5, St. Paul, being initiated April 27, 1854, passed July 6, 1854, and raised September 28, 1854. At the time of his decease he was a member of Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 5, of Minnesota, R. A. Chapter, No. 1, of St. Paul Council, No. 1, of Damascus Commandery, K. T., No. 1, and of Minnesota Consistory, A. A. S. R. Bro. Terry was one of the pioneers of Minnesota and always a public spirited citizen, esteemed for his personal worth and integrity. For eighteen years he was deputy postmaster of St. Paul, and he also served his city as a member of the board of education.

Brother JAMES DEWAR departed this life March 3, 1902. He was born in Chatham, Canada, May 1, 1847. In the year 1875 he received his Masonic degrees in Aurora Lodge, No. 100, Brainerd, Minn., being initiated September 3, passed October 7, and raised November 5. At the time of his death he was a member of Aurora Lodge, No. 100, of Brainerd Chapter, R. A. M., and of Ascalon Commandery, K. T., No. 16, all of Brainerd. He was highly esteemed for his manly character and warm and generous heart.

Brother BENJAMIN FRANKLIN FARMER was called away on the twenty-seventh day of April, 1902.

Bro. Farmer was born in West Burke, Vt., July 14, 1831. Coming to Minnesota in 1857, he settled in Spring Valley, where he continued his home until the time of his death. He became a Mason in 1866, being initiated December 7, passed to the degree of a Fellow Craft January 11, 1867, and raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason March 22, 1867, all in Spring Valley Lodge, No. 58. At the time of his death Brother Farmer was a member of Spring Valley Lodge, No. 58, of Meridian Chapter, R. A. M., No. 13 (both of Spring Valley), of Austin Council, No. 15, of St. Bernard Commandery, K. T., No. 13 (both of Austin), and of Minneapolis Consistory, A. A. S. R.

Brother Farmer was an active and devoted Mason and was held in high esteem by his brethren. He served his Lodge as its Master, and was honored by the Grand Commandery by an election to the exalted position of Right Eminent Grand Commander. He was also one of the founders of this Veteran Association, and at the time of

mandery, K. T., No. 10, of Red Wing, Minnesota. During his life Bro. Brown held various offices of honor and responsibility which betokened the confidence and esteem with which he was regarded by his fellow citizens.

On the tenth day of January, 1902, Brother EDWARD PHELPS BARNUM was called to lay aside the burdens of his earthly life.

Bro. Barnum was born in Stonington, Conn., June 16, 1831. He received his Masonic degrees in Dakota Lodge, No. 7, Hastings, where he was initiated January 14, 1857, passed February 4, 1857, and raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason February 27, 1857.

At the time of his decease he was a member of Star in the West Lodge, No. 60, and Sauk Centre Chapter, R. A. M., No. 49, both of Sauk Centre, and of Damascus Commandery, No. 1, K. T., of St. Paul.

Bro. Barnum's Masonic life was an active and useful one. At various times he served his Lodge as Master, his Chapter as High Priest, and he was honored by the Grand Lodge with the office of Grand Junior Warden. He was also District Deputy Grand Master, and a most efficient member of the Board of Custodians.

In civil life he occupied many positions of trust and responsibility, at the time of his death and for many years previous thereto, being Clerk of the District Court of Stearns county. "None knew him but to love him."

Brother SOLON ARMSTRONG departed this life on the twenty-fifth day of January, 1902.

He was born in Sutton, N. H., May 15, 1834. He received his Masonic degrees in Cataract Lodge, No. 2, Minneapolis, being initiated March 7, 1866, passed March 31, 1866, and raised April 16, 1866.

At the time of his decease he was a member of Cataract Lodge, No. 2, of St. Anthony Falls Chapter, R. A. M., No. 3, of Adoniram Council, No. 5, and of Darius Commandery, K. T., No. 7, all of Minneapolis. He served as Master of his Lodge, High Priest of his Chapter, Recorder of his Council, Prelate and Recorder of his Commandery, and Treasurer of the Grand Chapter. He had an honorable record as a soldier during the Civil War, and held various offices in civil life.

Brother WILLIAM W. FOOTE died on the thirteenth day of February, 1902. He was born in Geneva, N. Y., July 10, 1845. His Masonic degrees were conferred by Preston Lodge, No. 36, Preston, Minn., where he was made an Entered Apprentice April 28, 1880, a Fellow Craft May 26, 1880, and a Master Mason August 17, 1880. At the time of his decease he was a member of Preston Lodge, No. 36, of Preston Chapter, R. A. M., No. 32, and of Malta Com-

During the past year, as the reports indicate, there have been elected fifty-four active and three honorary members, and thirteen active and two honorary members have been erased from our rolls by Death. The net gains are forty-three active and one honorary member.

On Sunday morning, April 27, 1902, Death claimed our venerable President, Benjamin Franklin Farmer, at the age of seventy-one. Brother Farmer had held the office of First Vice President of this Association since its organization in 1892, and at the last annual meeting, was chosen President. He was buried at Spring Valley with Masonic honors. A dozen Veterans were present. I would suggest that on the death of a Veteran, all members of the Association who possibly can, should attend the burial, and wear the badge of the Association. Every member should be proud to display it. I consider it to be a great honor to be entitled to wear it and to say I have been a Mason in good standing for more than twenty-one years.

To carry on the work the Association has marked out for itself more members are needed. Inasmuch as there are hundreds of eligible Masons in the state, let us use a little exertion, and see to it that there is a handsome increase in membership during the coming year.

In conclusion the President stated that the duty of preparing the obituary notices had been delegated by the late President to the Chaplain of the Association, Rev. Bro. George H. Davis of Manakato, and that his report would appear in the Proceedings.

#### NECROLOGY.

##### *Venerable President and Brethren:*

It is my sad duty to pay tribute to the memory of an unusually large number of our brethren who have been called to answer the summons to pass to that life beyond the veil which hangs between us and the unknown future. This roll of the honored dead reminds us that the term of our life is drawing towards its close, and we are admonished to put our own houses in order that when the call shall come to us in the not distant future we may be prepared to render an account of our stewardship.

Notice has been received by the Secretary of the decease of the following named brethren:

Brother WILLIAM PARKER BROWN entered into rest May 6, 1900. He was born in New York, January 13, 1831. He was initiated an Entered Apprentice in Red Wing Lodge, No. 8, April 6, 1857, passed as a Fellow Craft May 18, 1857, and raised to the degree of a Master Mason December 9, 1857.

At the time of his death he was a member of La Grange Lodge, No. 4, Tyrian Chapter, R. A. M., No. 4, and Red Wing Com-

Receipts for the year 1902 have been—

Fees from fifty-four petitioners, at \$5.....	\$270.00
Donation (1901) from Bro. H. P. Upham.....	5.00
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	\$275.00
Eleven orders drawn (Nos. 86 to 96).....	299.86
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Excess of expenditures over receipts.....	\$24.86

Orders (Nos. 97 and 98), amounting to \$11.50, were authorized Dec. 11, 1902, but had not been presented for payment until after the end of the year.

The Treasurer's report showed—

Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1902.....	\$55.01
Received during the year.....	275.00
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Total .....	\$330.01
Disbursements (Warrants Nos. 86 to 96).....	299.86
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Cash on hand, Dec. 31, 1902.....	\$30.15

These reports having been placed in the hands of the Auditing Committee, Brothers Clark Keysor, William Dixon and J. A. Schlenner, a report was filed on the following day.

*To the Masonic Veteran Association:*

Your finance committee, to which was referred the reports of the Treasurer and Secretary, beg leave to report as follows:

After having carefully examined them, with the vouchers, checks, and accounts, we find the same correct, and that at the close of the fiscal year a balance of \$30.15 remains in the treasury, deposited in the Second National Bank in the name of the Association by the Treasurer, Bro. I. B. B. Sprague.

(Signed)

CLARK KEYSOR.  
JOHN A. SCHLENER.

February 24, 1903.

#### THE PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL ADDRESS.

*Venerable Brethren:*

Owing to the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Grand Lodge, which is to be celebrated to-morrow evening, our Annual Banquet will be omitted as well as all other exercises, save such business as must of necessity be transacted.



*Venerable Brethren:*

It is a great pleasure, and an honor to welcome you into an Association, some of the foundation stones of which are, "to perpetuate existing friendships, to form new ones, to keep alive, and to fructify the zeal of brethren; to place before the younger Craftsmen an example of long continued devotion to the cause, and of a zeal not to be affected by the changes and vicissitudes of times and seasons; to assist in developing and preserving the history of the Fraternity; to pay the last tribute of respect to the departed members of the Association, and to preserve in its archives a memorial of their lives and services."

All honor to the Venerable Brother George R. Metcalf, the moving spirit in the organization of the Veteran Association, and its President from the time of its establishment, until the past year, for so directing, and shaping its policy that one of the principal objects of this Association is, to advance the interests of the Grand Lodge along the line of furthering historical investigations, and thus to preserve to those, who shall follow us, rich material that would otherwise be lost.

Again Venerable Brethren, I bid you welcome, thrice welcome, and trust that you will find, in the language of the poet,

"The atmosphere  
Breathes rest and comfort and the many chambers  
Seem full of welcomes."

The Loving Cup was passed, and the brethren were declared to have been admitted to full fellowship.

## REPORTS OF SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

The report of the Secretary for 1902 was submitted as follows:

Active members, Jan. 1, 1902.....	344
Added during the year.....	56
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Died during the year.....	13
	<hr/> 387
Active members, Jan. 1, 1903.....	387
Honorary members, Jan. 1, 1902.....	22
Added during the year.....	3
	<hr/> 25
Died during the year.....	2
	<hr/> 23
Honorary members, Jan. 1, 1903.....	23
	<hr/> 23
Total membership, Jan. 1, 1903.....	410



On motion, the reading of the minutes of the preceding Annual Session were omitted, the same having appeared in printed form. The Secretary read the minutes of the several meetings of the Board of Directors during the year, held on February 27th, June 30th and December 11th.

The most important was that of December 11, 1902, when, in accordance with constitutional provisions, Bro. Edwin Prince Capen of Minneapolis was elected President, in place of Bro. B. F. Farmer, deceased, and Bro. Thomas Chalmers Clark of Stillwater was elected First Vice President, in place of Bro. Capen, promoted. At these meetings, up to January 1, 1903, fourteen members were elected. (See Roster Nos. 429 to 442 inclusive.)

At a meeting held January 31, 1903, fourteen members were elected. (See Roster Nos. 443 to 456 inclusive.)

The applications of twenty-one brethren were then read, and after due consideration the brethren were unanimously elected. (See Roster Nos. 457 to 477 inclusive.)

#### HONORARY MEMBERSHIP.

In presenting the name of William John Chetwode Crawley, L.L. D., D. C. L., *etc.*, Senior Grand Deacon of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, Brother G. R. Metcalf remarked, that while there appeared upon the honorary roll of the Association the names of distinguished brethren of England, and Scotland, the Masons of Ireland were unrepresented. It gave him great pleasure and honor to nominate Brother Chetwode Crawley, *facile princeps* of scholarly Irish Freemasons, and the one man living capable of writing the story of the debt of gratitude the Freemasonry of the world owes to Irish Freemasons and Freemasonry in preserving the primitive customs of the Craft from the destructive and innovating tendencies, which had come to the front in England during the latter half of the eighteenth century. Brother Crawley was unanimously elected.

Brother Clark Keysor requested permission to place in nomination Amos D. Seward, now living in California, but formerly an active worker in Minnesota. In spite of his advanced years, his enthusiastic interest in everything pertaining to Freemasonry is as keen to-day as when he became a Mason many, many years ago.

The venerable brother was duly elected.

#### ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

All the brethren who had joined the Association since the last session, together with the accessions of the evening, took their station to the west of the Altar and were briefly addressed by Venerable Brother John A. Schlener of Minneapolis.

PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
MASONIC VETERAN ASSOCIATION  
OF MINNESOTA  
AT THE  
ELEVENTH ANNUAL REUNION.

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FIRST AND ONLY SESSION.

ST. PAUL, Feb. 23, 1903.

An excerpt from the regular annual notice sent to all members of the Association explains, first, the omission of the Annual Feast, and secondly, the brevity of the proceedings.

"Carefully note that Tuesday evening, February 24, 1903, the evening that under ordinary circumstances would be devoted to the Annual Feast will be fully occupied by the Semi-Centennial Observance of the Grand Lodge. As a large number of our members throughout the state will not have arrived in St. Paul until Tuesday, and will have left the city before Wednesday evening, and as it is taken for granted that all Veterans will desire to attend the Grand Lodge Commemorative Exercises, the Board of Directors, after mature consideration, have deemed it advisable to omit the Annual Feast, and to hold a business session only, on Monday evening, February 23, 1903, at 8 p. m., in Masonic Hall."

Present—Bro. Edwin P. Capen, President.

Bro. William P. Murray, Second Vice President.

Bro. Israel B. B. Sprague, Treasurer.

Bro. Giles W. Merrill, Secretary.

Bro. John W. Eddy, as Marshal.

Bro. George R. Metcalf, Past President, and a goodly number of the brethren.

Bro. T. C. Clark, First Vice President, was absent through illness.

# OFFICERS

OF THE

## MASONIC VETERAN ASSOCIATION

### OF MINNESOTA

FOR  
1903.

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BRO. EDWIN PRINCE CAPEN, . . . . .	Minneapolis, . . .	President
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BRO. REV. GEORGE HENRY DAVIS, . . . . .	Mankato, . . .	Chaplain

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#### PAST PRESIDENTS.

GEORGE REUBEN METCALF, 1892-1901.  
BENJAMIN FRANKLIN FARMER, 1902.\*

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#### HONORARY ROLL OF MINNESOTA VETERANS.

(Fifty or more years Master Masons.)

MATTHEW CRAIG, 1845.	JOHN FRANCIS MARTIN, 1845.
GEORGE WILLIAM HILTZ, 1848.	LINSEY MCKEE, 1848.
WILLIAM TUTTLE RIGBY, 1849.	JOHN NIVEN, 1850.
JOHN WADLIN MILLER, 1850.	GILES WILLIAM MERRILL, 1850.
THOMAS JEFFERSON LOMBARD, 1851.	JAMES JENKS, 1852.
JOSIAH BLODGET CHANEY, 1852.	

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The Twelfth Annual Reunion and Feast will be held in St. Paul,  
Wednesday evening, January 20, 1904.

—\*Deceased, April 27, 1902.

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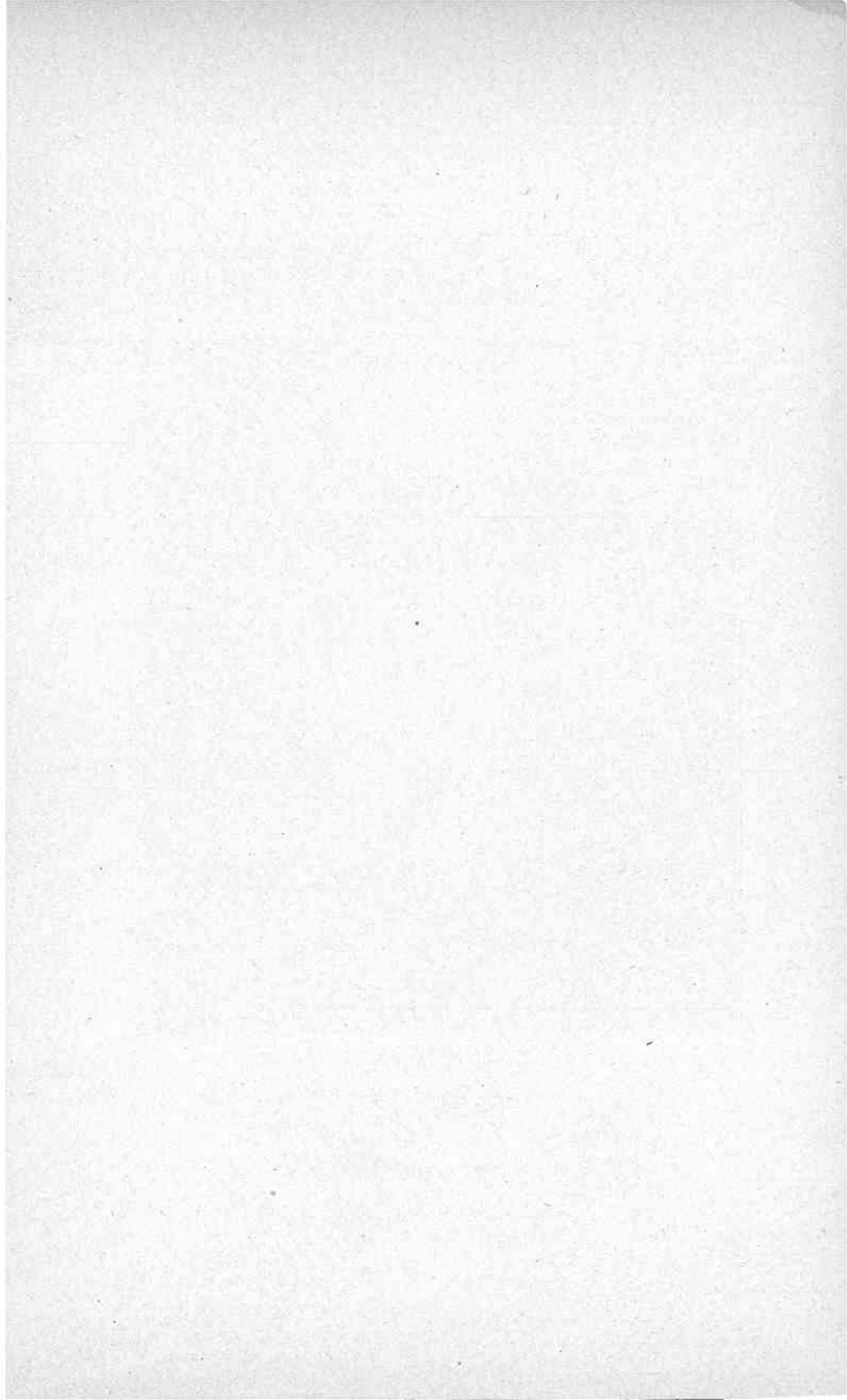


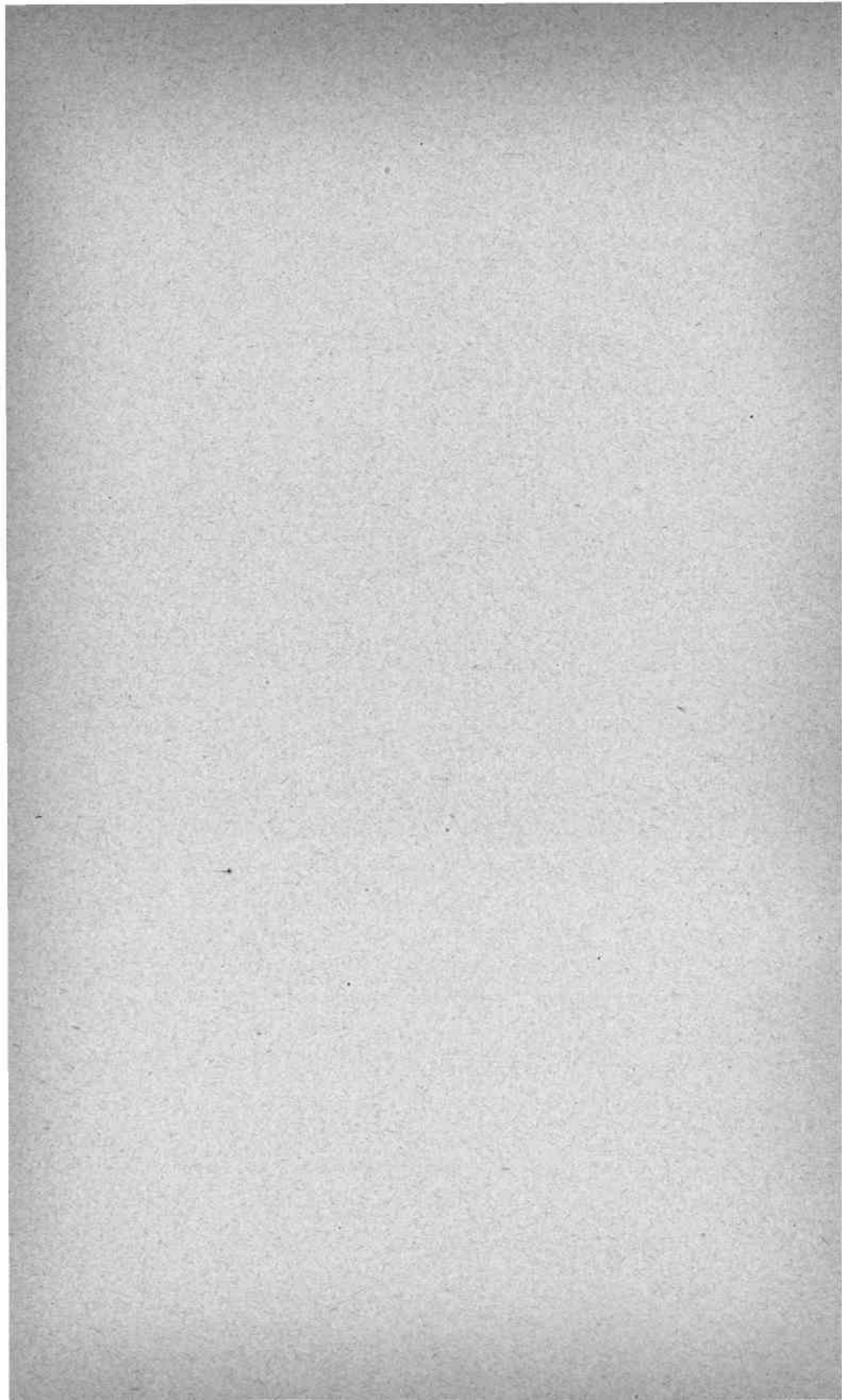
*B. F. Farmer*

THE SECOND PRESIDENT, M.: V.: A.: M.:  
1902.

Died Sunday, April 27, 1902.







bobtailed horse car has to a Pullman; that a non-affiliate should apply for membership only to the lodge where he lives; that the question of joint occupancy of hall should be settled by the lodges themselves; and that a lodge meeting would not be invalid simply because the charter was not present.

M.: W.: C. N. Potter, Cheyenne, Grand Master; R.: W.: W. L. Kuykendall, Saratoga, reelected Grand Secretary.

Fraternally submitted,

IRVING TODD,

*For the Committee.*

Hastings, Dec. 27th, 1902.

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Indian Territory and Montana not received.

4. Entered apprentice masons and fellow crafts have a right to sit in the lodge only in which they were initiated and passed, but do not possess a right of visitation such as is exercised by master masons, and if admitted into any other lodge it can only be as a courtesy extended by the presiding officer, and not as a right or prerogative possessed by them.

Resolutions were adopted recognizing the Grand Encampment, the General Grand Chapter, the General Grand Council, the Supreme Councils of the Southern and Northern Jurisdictions, and the subordinate bodies of their allegiance, and giving master masons three months to renounce their affiliation with other and spurious bodies under penalty of expulsion.

A charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; an appropriation of \$300 was made for lectures upon masonry; the traveling expenses of two representatives from each lodge were ordered paid next year; and a resolution requiring candidates to pledge themselves in their applications not to enter the liquor business was lost.

The following extracts pertaining to Minnesota are taken from the grand secretary's report on correspondence:

We quote the following correct, wise, and common sense remarks of the grand master, as they are such a contrast to what is found here and there where it is claimed he can set laws aside at will, as too many masons have been taught to believe. \* \* \*

Bro. Irving Todd continues as reporter and has a good report in proceedings, Wyoming being very pleasantly reviewed therein.

The tenth annual reunion of the Minnesota Veteran Association was held Jan. 21st, 1902. Much of historical value appears in proceedings of reunion.

Bro. Kuykendall holds that restoration from expulsion should also include lodge membership; that a dimit should contain a proviso limiting its use to a certain number of months; that life membership is a great mistake; that all of the grand bodies in continental Europe have departed from the original plan of masonry, and are therefore not entitled to recognition; that grand lodge proceedings without a report on correspondence have about the same relation to others as a

subsequent discussions, if any. The members of an important committee therefore know very little of what has been done outside of their own deliberations until the proceedings are issued. As a preventive of hasty legislation the regulation is a good one, and should be literally followed.

Bro. Jenks thinks the home system not the most economical method of caring for those dependent upon our bounty, in which opinion he will find plenty of company; that Bro. Greenleaf, of Colorado, should be voted the Poet Laureate of Masonry; that a ballot is at an end when the result is announced; that a master who had not received the secrets of the chair could not regularly install his successor; that it is not best to confer the rank of past grand master by vote of the grand lodge; that the formulation of a burial service to be used after cremation is not particularly appropriate; and that there is no more need of the actual presence of the charter in a lodge room than there is for a notary public to carry a commission around in his pocket to validate his acts.

M.: W.: D. McL. Miller, Oconomowoc, Grand Master; R.: W.: W. W. Perry, Milwaukee, re-elected, Grand Secretary; Bro. Aldro Jenks, Dodgeville, committee on foreign correspondence.

### WYOMING, 1902.

The twenty-eighth annual communication was held at Rawlins, Sept. 3d, M.: W.: Samuel Corson, Grand Master. Fourteen lodges represented; eighteen on the roll. Six past grand masters present.

Membership thirteen hundred and eight; gain one hundred and forty-one. Receipts \$1,804.80.

The death of Bro. J. H. Hayford, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and the grand master elect.

The following decision has the brand of novelty, if nothing more:



gratitude to the local lodges for their hospitality during the session was spread upon the records; the \$593.12 belonging to a restored lodge was ordered returned; a resolution of sympathy was adopted by a rising vote, to be sent to Bro. M. L. Youngs, past grand master and grand lecturer for forty-five years, then upon his death bed; an aged brother who had been coming to grand lodge since 1857, except while in the army, was given a fraternal reception; and the addresses delivered at the lodge of sorrow appear in the appendices.

Bro. Aldro Jenks presented his fifth report on foreign correspondence, and like good wine he improves with age. From the four pages fraternally devoted to Minnesota the following extracts are taken:

The address is very brief and business-like in its utterances.

The grand secretary makes his thirteenth annual report, from which we learn that after a few weeks' vacation he returned to his official duties, greatly benefited physically. We hope his restoration to health may be permanent.

The report on correspondence is again by Bro. Irving Todd. It is mostly written, although occasionally apt quotations are made, supplemented by judicious comments. Its main defect, we should say, is its brevity, sufficient space not having been taken by Bro. Todd in which to do justice to his powers as a reviewer. Wisconsin comes in for two pages of space, in which the 1901 proceedings of our grand lodge receive courteous consideration.

The restoration case criticised by Bro. Jenks came before the committee of which the writer was a member. The brother had reformed and finally applied to his lodge to be relieved from suspension, but died before final action could be taken by the grand lodge. It was not good law, of course, but intended for the benefit of his wife and daughters.

The other case is more easily explained. Our general regulations require all new legislation to be submitted to the committee on masonic jurisprudence, which was not done. Furthermore, it was an attempt to amend the general regulations by a mere resolution, very properly declared null and void.

Our grand lodge opens Wednesday noon, closing the following evening. The committees necessarily meet during the sessions, coming in to make their reports and take part in the

Four dispensations for new lodges; one charter surrendered. Membership eighteen thousand, seven hundred, and ninety-five; gain five hundred and eighty-five. Receipts \$9,459.69.

The death of Bro. E. S. Elliott, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of Bro. E. S. Elliott and Bro. M. L. Youngs.

Among the fourteen decisions we note the following:

1. A fellow craft upon whom the master mason's degree was conferred by a past master at a gathering of master masons, in the absence of the worshipful master and both the wardens, is not regularly in possession of the work, and cannot be recognized as a master mason until healed by being received and obligated and the essentials communicated to him in a regularly constituted lodge of master masons.

In Minnesota a lodge may be opened by one of its past masters, but things are very different across the border.

Greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Nebraska; the applications of Costa Rica and Valle de Mexico for recognition were denied, and the invitation of the Grand Lodge Alpina to participate in a masonic congress declined; five charters were granted to lodges under dispensation; an official stenographer was appointed, with the same compensation as a lodge representative; the jurisprudence committee held that the grand master had power to grant dispensation to attend church in masonic clothing, but doubted the propriety of such a display, and that a lodge dated from the time of receiving its charter; greetings were telegraphed to the Grand Lodge of South Dakota; a jewel was voted to the retiring grand master; a suitable present was ordered for a brother upon the fiftieth anniversary of his marriage; publication of members' names was curtailed to once in three years; the salary of the grand secretary was increased to \$1,500; the assessment for the charity fund was raised to ten cents per capita, future relief appropriations to be made from it instead of the general fund; a commission was appointed to try a brother charged with publishing a cipher; a resolution of

master was ordered, together with a jewel; a committee was appointed to consider the advisability of purchasing a temple; and a delightful luncheon was served by the local brethren.

The grand secretary presented his sixteenth report on foreign correspondence, a very interesting and fraternal paper, from which the following extracts are taken:

A new masonic code was printed during the year, a copy of which was sent to each constituent lodge in the jurisdiction. The work is well done, and fills a long needed want.

The corps of district deputy grand masters is evidently a good one. About half of these deputies visited every lodge in their respective districts, others did not visit quite all of them, and some visited but few.

M.: W.: Bro. D. T. Calhoun, grand orator, delivered a well prepared oration, which was listened to with marked interest.

Some years ago the brethren of Minnesota organized what they call the Masonic Veteran Association. This association embraces the older members of the fraternity of that state. They meet every year, consider reports made to them by their committees, deliver addresses, have a big spread and a good time generally. No one can belong to the organization unless he has been a mason twenty-one years and upwards. The initiation fee is \$5, and there are no annual dues.

The report on foreign correspondence is from the versatile pen of Bro. Irving Todd, who has been doing this sort of work for his grand lodge for a great many years past. He does his reporting well, and is fair and courteous in all that he says and does. West Virginia annuals for 1899 received careful and courteous review at his hands. He files no bill of grievances against us, which, of course, we fully appreciate.

M.: W.: P. R. Harrison, Martinsburg, Grand Master; R.: W.: G. W. Atkinson, Charleston, reëlected Grand Secretary.

#### WISCONSIN, 1902.

The fifty-eighth annual communication was held at Milwaukee, June 10th, 11th, and 12th, M.: W.: F. H. L. Cotten, Grand Master. Two hundred and thirty-five lodges represented; two hundred and forty on the roll. Fourteen past grand masters present, our representative included.

## WEST VIRGINIA, 1901.

The thirty-seventh annual communication was held at Huntington, Nov. 13th and 14th, M. W. A. D. W. Strickler, Grand Master. One hundred and fifteen lodges represented; one hundred and seventeen on the roll. Twelve grand masters present; out representative absent.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership seven thousand, four hundred, and twenty-one; gain four hundred and seventy. Receipts \$5,511.94.

The portraits are of the grand master, grand master elect, and a district deputy grand master.

Among the approved decisions were the following:

5. The worshipful master of a lodge cannot summons a master mason, who objected to the initiation of an elected candidate, and compel him to prefer charges against such candidate.

6. A subordinate lodge can meet in the third story of a building when the second story is occupied as a dwelling.

The above are quoted merely as a sample of the questions that are being continually propounded to grand masters all over the country, often by brethren who ought to know better.

A telegram of sympathy was forwarded to Bro. Hugh Sterling, grand treasurer, who was seriously ill at home; a jewel was presented to one of the past grand masters by a few of his admiring friends; a resolution of sympathy was extended to the widow of President McKinley; the committee on masonic home made a verbal report, and two past grand masters were added to their number; the action of the grand master in forwarding \$100 to the Jacksonville sufferers was approved; new editions of the Text Book and the Digest were ordered printed; the jurisprudence committee held that none but masons could act as pall bearers at a masonic funeral, and that a lodge could not share in burial services with any other organization; three charters were granted, and one dispensation continued; the grand lodges of Western Australia and Costa Rica were recognized; the use of lodge rooms was granted to chapters of the Eastern Star; an oil painting of the grand

The following incident is narrated under Louisiana :

We know of a case where, a charter being desired by three masons, the petition was circulated in a town fifty miles away, although there were eleven masons residing at or near the place where it was intended the lodge should be opened. The nearest body, whose permission was asked, noted this fact and refused permission. Appeal being made, the question arose why were the other eleven not given an opportunity to join. The answer was that they (the three) did not desire them in the lodge, and intended to borrow enough members to open their lodge, and when opened about twenty citizens had promised to join.

Bro. Chadwick holds that Texas does not really belong to the south anyhow and that its masonry is on a par with Mexico, a statement which Bro. Matthews is likely to resent ; that the fetich whatever is English is the thing caused much of their trouble on negro masonry ; that it is the acknowledgment of one God which makes us a band of friends and brothers ; that their recognition of Belgium was a little too previous ; that originally a grand master had the power to do as he pleased, even to make masons at sight ; that some day the masterpieces among the orations will be gathered into one volume for general circulation among the craft ; that the work of the Eastern Star demands an occasional word of approval and encouragement ; that wearing masonic clothing at church is a proper custom ; that if there was any sense of the ridiculous in Missouri it would not publish some of the absurd rulings upon the physical qualifications of candidates ; that the Gran Dieta of Mexico expired, as a matter of foreign policy, ignoring the fact that the birth and death were so nearly simultaneous that it is hard to tell which really occurred first ; that an entered apprentice has the right to advance, even if unable to raise his hand above his head ; and that the way to suppress improper newspaper reports is to have the grand secretary give out the matter suitable for publication.

In retiring from a position so ably filled during the past year Bro. Chadwick says it was not for personal or family reasons, but because the grand master saw fit to appoint some one else.

M. W. John Arthur, Seattle, Grand Master ; R. W. T. M. Reed, Olympia, reëlected Grand Secretary ; Bro. W. H. Upton, Walla Walla, committee on correspondence.



No action was taken upon the petition of the Grand Lodge Alpina; a practical address was delivered by Bro. A. L. Miller, grand orator; a balance of \$100 from the appropriation of the local brethren for the entertainment of the grand lodge was donated by them to the home fund; seven charters were granted to lodges under dispensation; a recess was taken for the purpose of attending a lodge funeral; a weak lodge was authorized to surrender its charter; the present plan of collecting funds for a home was continued another year; the compensation of the committee on foreign correspondence was increased to \$200, the finance committee reporting that the appropriation of \$150 was not adequate for the labor involved; and a resolution withdrawing fraternal relations with the Grand Orient of Belgium was laid over until next year.

A very interesting report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. S. J. Chadwick, his first and last. He says that Bro. G. S. Ives understands the place of a grand master; that his address is short and incisive; that the oration of Bro. W. P. Roberts is admirable; and that the action of our grand lodge upon the liquor question is a matter of congratulation to the craft. Our own work is complimented as follows:

Bro. Irving Todd, who furnishes the report, quotes the opinions of others freely, but rarely ventures one of his own; but it is an entertaining and readable digest of current masonic events, nevertheless.

Under the head of Kentucky the situation at home is summed up as follows:

We have learned our lesson, and it is not likely that we will ever engage in the unprofitable business of maintaining a court of appeals to try the legitimacy of masons declared to be clandestine in other jurisdictions. We now admit the right of other jurisdictions to maintain their sovereignty and determine for themselves what is or is not clandestine within that jurisdiction. In fact, we never intended to do anything else; we merely "got off the track," and, instead of resenting as dictation the effort of other grand lodges to correct our fault, the bulk of Washington masons are grateful that the masonic world was so quick to resent our departure from established principles, for harmony is the cement of masonry, and is of more importance than the Quixotic championship of a doctrine so futile in its hopes and blasting in its effects.

The general appearance of their proceedings does not suggest a great hankering for economy in printing, outside of the correspondence report. All the essential matter could easily be given in half the space every year.

If their Past Masters' Association includes all the wardens and chapter masons, it should seemingly have a much larger membership than our own organization.

Bro. Eggleston says that the California decision making it a punishable offense would apply nicely to one of their past district deputies, who lately renounced masonry to join the Roman Catholic Church after his lodge had remitted large arrearages of dues. There is one thing quite certain, the P. D. D. G. M. will find no abatement of assessments from now on.

M.: W.: H. O. Kerns, Sutherlin, Grand Master, and R.: W.: G. W. Carrington, Richmond, Grand Secretary, were reelected; Bro. J. W. Eggleston, Richmond, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### WASHINGTON, 1902.

The forty-fifth annual communication was held at Tacoma, June 10th, 11th, and 12th, M.: W.: H. L. Kennan, Grand Master. One hundred lodges represented; one hundred and six on the roll. Fourteen past grand masters present, our representative included.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Membership six thousand, two hundred, and five; gain four hundred and ten. Receipts \$7,591.

The death of Bro. D. E. Bailey, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and grand secretary. The following was among the approved decisions:

2. It is not proper for a lodge to place a masonic memorial window in a church edifice.

In Minnesota windows are not only placed in churches, but also dedicated by the fraternity.

with the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia; a testimonial of good wishes was voted to three absent past grand masters by a rising vote; the admission of widows to the home was deferred, and a special committee appointed to devise some plan of increasing the endowment to \$100,000; three charters were granted, and one dispensation continued; the publication of a masonic column in some newspaper was authorized, without compensation; the salary of the grand treasurer was raised to \$400 per annum, in view of the increased duties in handling the temple funds; several amendments to the Methodical Digest were made, of local interest only; recognition of the Grand Orient of Belgium, the Grand Lodge of The Netherlands, the Grand Lodge of Royal York of Friendship, Berlin, the Grand Lodge of Switzerland, and the Grand Lodge of the Three Globes, Berlin, were rescinded on account of their close affiliation and intercourse with the Grand Orient of France; it was announced that refreshments would be served only on the second night of the next annual communication; a framed picture of the state board of visitors to Mt. Vernon was presented; and the reports of the home show \$7,117.25 disbursements, inmates an unknown quantity.

Bro. J. W. Eggleston compliments Minnesota with two pages in his well written report on foreign correspondence, from which the following extracts are taken:

The grand master, in his address, read the delegates a lecture on the duty of each one to be at all times present, and it would be as pertinent in Virginia as in Minnesota. He also urged upon masters of lodges a compliance with the resolution of the grand lodge requiring them to cause the proceedings of the grand lodge to be read in the lodges. This also will do well for Virginia masons to listen to. \* \* \* His peroration is a masonic gem, and would be quoted but for our temple debt and the economy we must practice in printing.

Bro. D. T. Calhoun delivered the annual oration, and, valuable as is our space this year, we must give these three extracts.

The foreign correspondence report is, as usual, by Bro. Irving Todd. Virginia, 1899, is briefly reviewed. He corrects our statement that the Masonic Veteran Association is composed of masons of more than thirty years' standing, and says, "twenty-one instead of thirty, Bro. Eggleston." Why have we no such organization? Our Past Masters' Association comes near it, however, but is very local.

## VIRGINIA, 1901.

The one hundred and twenty-fourth annual communication was held at Richmond, Dec. 3d, 4th, and 5th, M. W. H. O. Kerns, Grand Master. One hundred and sixty-one lodges represented; two hundred and seventy-six on the roll. Four past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Three dispensations for new lodges; two charters extinct and one surrendered. Membership thirteen thousand, eight hundred, and forty-two; gain three hundred and ninety-eight. Receipts \$10,646.80.

The death of Bro. J. H. Wayt, past grand master, was announced, and his portrait is given as a frontispiece.

The following were among the decisions:

2. That a profane who is of the Roman Catholic faith has the right to apply to a lodge for initiation.

10. A brother excused for non-affiliation, and who pays to the lodge that excuses him \$1 a year, is still a non-affiliate, but his name is entered on the records of the lodge as being excused for non-affiliation, which entitles him to certain privileges.

This quasi membership seems to be peculiar to the Old Dominion and entirely unknown elsewhere.

The resolutions of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, engrossed on vellum and beautifully framed, were presented by a committee of past grand masters from the adjoining jurisdiction; the transfer of their building by the Masonic Temple Association to the grand lodge, and the extension of the \$75,000 mortgage for ten years, was reported, a postponement of the evil day; the contributions to the Jacksonville sufferers were stated at \$1,778.40, with an unexpended balance of \$528.40, which was turned over to the home; an historical sketch of Kilwinning Crosse Lodge Nos. 2-237, with the original charter issued to it by the Grand Lodge of Scotland in 1755, was presented and printed as an appendix; the historian of the Washington Centennial reported the completion of the memorial volume, which was referred to a special committee to report next year; fraternal greetings were exchanged

Bro. M. O. Perkins submitted another of his valuable reports on foreign correspondence, with a most fraternal review of Minnesota, from which we quote as follows:

The annual address of the grand master is a concise account of his stewardship, in which nevertheless is found abundant evidence of the distinguished ability with which he had discharged the duties devolved upon him somewhat unexpectedly at the beginning of the masonic year. His fraternal tributes to the honored dead are truly appreciative of their eminent services in behalf of the craft, and their noble conception of their duties to their country and their God.

The grand secretary, R. W. Thomas Montgomery, prefaces his thirteenth annual report with a fraternal tribute to the memory of the six grand secretaries, all veterans in the service, called hence during the year, and an allusion to his own physical condition, which had excited the gravest apprehension of his friends, but, as we are pleased to read, then greatly improved after a vacation abroad.

A scholarly address on Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic, was delivered by the grand orator, Bro. W. P. Roberts, from which a single excerpt to judge as to the strength and beauty of the whole.

The report on correspondence by Bro. Irving Todd is another excellent condensation of the proceedings of American grand lodges, including Vermont for 1901, which is accorded a full page of his valuable space.

In the appendix is found one of the most interesting features of the publication before us, viz., the proceedings of the tenth annual reunion of the Masonic Veteran Association, illustrated with illuminated pages; portraits of the late Bro. Daniel Sickles of New York, and Bro. R. C. Narramore, of Connecticut, the founder of veterans' association, and a handsome reproduction in half tone of a magnificent loving cup, presented the veterans of Minnesota by Bro. E. P. Capen of Maine, in memory of the late grand treasurer. The reunion, the tenth, was held on the evening of Jan. 22d, the principal features of which were naturally the address of the president, Bro. G. R. Metcalf, the annual feast, and post prandial exercises. The largest number of members in the history of the organization enjoyed the "gastronomic joys" of the occasion, we are told, and we know from the reading whereof we speak as to the rest. That the boys with silver threads in their hair may long enjoy these reunions can but be the fervent hope and wish of their juniors in masonic work.

M. W. C. R. Montague, Woodstock, reëlected Grand Master; R. W. H. H. Ross, Burlington, Grand Secretary; Bro. M. O. Perkins, Windsor, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.



ence our review of the Minnesota proceedings is reproduced. He is of the opinion that Bro. Chris "is a judge of good things," and he is right:

A picture of the Rt. Rev. Bro. M. N. Gilbert, who died March 2, 1900, faces the title page of the proceedings of the ninth annual reunion of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota, which was held Jan. 22d, 1901. More than one hundred veterans participated in conferring the knife and fork degree, and each one of them was once again a boy.

Per diem and mileage were abolished with us in 1873 for financial reasons, but were restored in 1875. The effect upon the attendance was quite noticeable.

M.: W.: W. J. Lynch, Grand Master; R.: W.: Christopher Diehl, reelected Grand Secretary; both of Salt Lake City.

#### VERMONT, 1902.

The one hundred and ninth annual communication was held at Burlington, June 11th and 12th, M.: W.: C. R. Montague, Grand Master. Eighty-four lodges represented; one hundred and two on the roll. Seven past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One charter surrendered. Membership ten thousand, six hundred, and seventy-four; gain four hundred and thirty-nine. Receipts \$8,137.50.

The portrait is that of the past deputy grand master who declined promotion last year.

A telegram of sympathetic greeting was sent to Bro. L. M. Read, past grand master, then seriously ill at home; the temple debt was reported at \$62,000; constitutional amendments were adopted giving masters and wardens the right to constitute proxies to grand lodge, and forming each county in the state as one masonic district; a special committee was appointed to have the grand lodge jewels and aprons overhauled; a resolution of esteem was tendered by rising vote to Bro. W. G. Reynolds, who voluntarily retired from the office of grand secretary after twelve years of faithful service; and two venerable brethren, one a past grand master, were received with the private grand honors.

Membership nine hundred and eighty-two; gain seventy-five. Receipts \$2,042.50.

The portraits are of the grand master elect, the grand secretary, President McKinley, and six past grand masters.

The grand librarian reported an increase of ninety-eight bound volumes; the committee on address regretted that the grand master had not been called upon to make a single decision during the year, in which we do not share; the fee for the degrees was reduced to \$30 in towns of less than one thousand inhabitants; the lodges were authorized to confer life memberships after paying dues twenty years; a jewel was voted to the retiring grand lecturer for efficient services during the past ten years; jewels were also ordered for such of the past grand masters as had not received them, together with one for the grand secretary, who has just rounded up three decades in office; the decision of last year, that the junior warden must open the lodge in person in the absence of the master and senior warden, was repealed; the Emery ring was passed along the line; jewels were presented to three past grand masters; and a banquet was served by the local lodges.

Another of the old time reports was submitted by the genial grand secretary, whose seventieth birthday was celebrated during the year by his home lodge. Bro. Chris is a continual reminder of the old saying, a man is just as old as he feels. The following kind words are said of Minnesota:

After a brief but eloquent opening the grand master charges the representatives that they must attend each session of the grand lodge from beginning to end. He reasons that as the grand lodge pays them it is entitled to their time and services. That is the talk. No work no pay is good. In Utah per diem and mileage are unknown things, and yet our grand lodge meetings are always well attended, and the best of it is that the representatives attend strictly to business of the body.

As usual the report of Grand Secretary Thomas Montgomery is a faithful picture of the state of the craft. The legislation, which was local in character, appears to have been conducted with great harmony. A sensible oration was delivered by Bro. D. T. Calhoun.

The report on correspondence was again prepared by the accomplished Bro. Irving Todd. Utah for 1900 is fraternally noticed. The proceedings are briefly summarized. From the report on correspond-

considered the most advantageous to the fraternity; it was ordered that all money in the general fund in excess of current expenses and \$1,000 as a contingent fund be turned over to the permanent fund of the home; a committee was appointed to procure plans and estimates for the new building at Waco; the McLeary ring was duly transferred; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The usual fraternal report on correspondence was submitted by Bro. T. M. Matthews, who abridges his review of Minnesota to a single page, but finds room for the following complimentary paragraphs:

The grand orator, Bro. D. T. Calhoun, delivered a nice and interesting address upon masonry in general and its universality in particular. It is given a place in the volume of proceedings as an appendix.

Bro. Irving Todd comes again this year to the front with a well prepared report on correspondence, covering eighty-five pages. Our brother uses his scissors pretty freely; but always with excellent judgment. He comments, too, whenever he deems it necessary, and, though always courteous, has the courage of his convictions and does not mince his words in expressing them. To the 1899 volume of Texas he gives two and one-half pages of his limited space. In terse sentences he summarizes everything done by us that was of any general interest. Copies in full the report of Past Grand Master Mott on the Washington declaration and resolutions, and also does us the honor to reproduce some three paragraphs from our last year's review of Minnesota. With our best wishes, Bro. Todd, for you and yours, and hoping next year to meet you again, aye, and for many years yet to come, we now say good-by.

M. W. William Clark, Jefferson, Grand Master; R. W. John Watson, Houston, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. T. M. Matthews, Athens, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

#### UTAH, 1902.

The thirty-first annual communication was held at Salt Lake City, Jan. 21st and 22d, M. W. C. W. Morse, Grand Master. The ten lodges all represented. Thirteen past grand masters and our representative present.

## TEXAS, 1901.

The sixty-sixth annual communication was held at Houston, Dec. 3d, 4th, and 5th, M. W. N. M. Washer, Grand Master. Five hundred and twenty-five lodges represented; six hundred and fifty-one on the roll. Eighteen past grand masters present.

Six dispensations for new lodges; two charters arrested. Membership twenty-nine thousand, six hundred, and eighty; gain six hundred and fifty-nine. Receipts \$24,641.83.

The death of Bro. E. G. Bower, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and a past grand master.

The grand lodges Valle de Mexico, Benito Juarez, and Western Australia were recognized; the report of the home shows eighty-three inmates, maintenance \$8,014.20; several Mexican brethren were received as visitors; an address was delivered by Bro. C. A. Keller, grand orator, but not printed; the constitutional amendment providing for a per capita tax of \$1, half going to the home, and \$1 for each degree conferred was adopted; fourteen charters were granted to new lodges; the committee on jurisprudence held that it was "unnecessary, if not inexpedient, for the grand master to decide merely abstract questions not arising in the actual affairs of the craft;" the laying of corner stones was limited to buildings of masonic, public, or sacred character; the grand master was authorized to waive jurisdiction at the request of the grand master of an adjoining state; the penalty for a willful violation of another lodge's jurisdiction was fixed at the arrest of its charter; the action of the grand master in forwarding \$1,000 to the Jacksonville sufferers was commended; the committee on masonic history reported on the attempt to organize a lodge at San Felipe de Austin in 1828, together with a short sketch of Mexican masonry, which will appear as an appendix next year; the question of removal of the masonic temple was settled in favor of Waco, its proposition of a site and \$15,000 in cash being

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership seventeen thousand, seven hundred, and seventy; gain four hundred and twenty-seven. Receipts \$23,854.

The deaths of Bro. J. C. Cawood and Bro. J. H. Bullock, past grand masters, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and the grand secretary.

The amount forwarded to the Jacksonville sufferers was reported at \$537.60; the report of the home gave one hundred and three inmates, maintenance \$6,883.55; a jewel was presented to one of the past grand masters; an entertainment was given at the opera house by the home children; the publication of grand lodge proceedings in the newspapers was disapproved, unless specially authorized by the grand master; the use of cipher rituals was denounced as unmasonic, illegal, and fraught with danger to the fraternity; the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica was recognized; a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master; a charter was granted to a lodge under dispensation; a gavel made of olive wood from Jerusalem was presented by a brother; and forty-five masters elect were duly installed by a convocation of past masters.

The report on correspondence was prepared by Bro. H. H. Ingersoll upon somewhat new lines, omitting routine matters, and calling "attention to such things only as are unique, unusual, or of special interest or merit." Minnesota does not appear to have come inside the limit, as no mention whatever is made of its proceedings.

Bro. Ingersoll would like to know why New York attaches capitular emblems to its craft masonry. He might with more propriety have inquired why capitular masonry adopted the peculiar trademark of the Empire State. The cut referred to has appeared at the head of their proceedings since 1818, and on their seal long before the present grand lodge was organized.

M.: W.: J. R. Smith, Trenton, Grand Master; R.: W.: J. B. Garrett, Nashville, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. H. H. Ingersoll, Knoxville, chairman of the committee on correspondence.



Bro. Montgomery had been abroad for his health, and had enjoyed the pleasure of visiting the British grand secretaries and the Grand Lodge of Scotland in session, all of which gave him so much pleasure that we have no doubt it contributed materially to the recovery of his health, which so pleases his many friends.

The grand orator, Bro. Roberts, delivered a discourse upon the subject, Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic. It recalls many of the practical discourses of Albert Pike. Original, interesting, and inspiring.

In his usual short, crisp way Bro. Irving Todd produces the correspondence report, which gives an account of everything going on in the masonic world. \* \* \* South Dakota (1901) is given complete synopsis, without one word of comment.

Bro. Brown thinks that the grand lodges which recognized the Gran Dieta of Mexico were not injured one iota by such action; that it may be admitted, first as last, that whatever the Belgian brethren may be, they are not freemasons; that it can never in the world help masonry to take sides in politics, no matter what kind; that the grand master should not be hampered in the exercise of his prerogatives; that the actual presence of the charter in the lodge room is not essential; that the title should be honorary grand master instead of honorary past grand master, making it a life office only; that an entered apprentice or a fellow craft ought to have the same right to dimit as a master mason; and that the secret of success in collecting dues is to pound, pound, and again and again pound.

M. W. F. A. Brown, Aberdeen, Grand Master; R. W. G. A. Pettigrew, Flandreau, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. S. A. Brown, Sioux Falls, committee on correspondence.

#### TENNESSEE, 1902.

The eighty-eighth annual communication was held at Nashville, Jan. 29th, 30th, and 31st, M. W. I. J. Thurman, Grand Master. Four hundred lodges represented; four hundred and twenty-seven on the roll. Sixteen past grand masters present.

reason they have two senior and two junior grand deacons is to facilitate the work.

M.: W.: W. M. Whitehead, Grand Master; R.: W.: Charles Inglesby, reelected Grand Secretary; both of Charleston.

#### SOUTH DAKOTA, 1902.

The twenty-eighth annual communication was held at Huron, June 10th and 11th, M.: W.: Charles Hill, Grand Master. Seventy-eight lodges represented; ninety-six on the roll. Nine past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership five thousand, one hundred, and twenty-five; gain two hundred and thirty-eight. Receipts \$4,703.37.

The portraits are of the grand master, grand secretary, President McKinley, Bro. T. S. Parvin, and Bro. Daniel Sickels, with cuts of the temples at Deadwood and Yankton.

A case containing a chisel and mallet made of wood taken from Kilwinning Abbey was presented by a Chicago brother; three charters were granted to lodges under dispensation; the revised by-laws were submitted by the special committee and adopted; recognition of the grand lodges of Costa Rica and Valle de Mexico was deferred; the grand charity fund was reported at \$1,400; greetings were exchanged with the Grand Chapter O. E. S.; and Bro. M. L. Youngs, of Wisconsin, was elected an honorary member.

The proceedings of their Veteran Association at the second annual session are given as an appendix, with an interesting article by Bro. G. R. Metcalf, of St. Paul, upon Bro. Daniel Sickels, founder of these organizations.

The report on correspondence was again prepared by Bro. S. A. Brown, an exhaustive review of the transactions of sixty-one grand lodges. His compliments to Minnesota include the following:

Seven past grand masters were there to help in the good work, of whom one is our well beloved grand representative, H. R. Wells.

portrait in oil of Bro. James Conner, past grand master, was presented by his local lodge; two charters were granted, two dispensations continued, and one discontinued; hat racks were ordered placed under the grand lodge chairs, if practicable; and a jewel was ordered to be presented to the grand secretary for his long and faithful services, and another to the retiring grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was prepared by the grand secretary, whose acquaintance we were fortunate to make during their recent exposition. It was the first visit of the writer to Charleston, and a very pleasant one. Of Minnesota he says:

The grand orator, Bro. D. T. Calhoun, delivered an oration which is very pleasant reading.

Bro. Irving Todd submits the report on foreign correspondence, in which he reviews South Carolina for 1899, gives a synopsis of our proceedings, quotes the kind words of our committee with reference to our 1899 report, speaks of our Bro. H. A. De Saussure's interesting address on Cuba, and quotes what we said when reviewing Minnesota.

As an appendix we have the proceedings of the ninth annual reunion of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota, which was held Jan. 22d, 1901. It must have been a very pleasant meeting to those who were present.

Bro. Inglesby says that the custom of conferring past grand rank has never obtained in South Carolina, and he does not like it; that if a member wants to go, let him go; that we should adhere as closely as possible to the time honored law of physical qualifications; that he can see no impropriety in the use of robes, and that some of their lodges are using them with great satisfaction; that the term profane is concise and expressive; that it is neither wise nor expedient to display the United States flag in grand lodge; that ministers should at least pay assessments to a masonic home; that topical reports are his special detestation; that his grand lodge requires the workmen to wear their aprons as tradition tells us they were worn at the building of King Solomon's temple; and that the

Membership five thousand, six hundred, and eighty-five; gain two hundred and fourteen. Receipts \$3,156.01.

The death of Bro. W. E. Cook was announced at the ripe age of one hundred and four years and five months, and who had been a mason eighty-two years and five months.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

In accordance with the action of the semi-annual communication the grand master reported an order requiring the American flag displayed in the east at every lodge communication; the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica was recognized; thanks were returned to the family of a deceased brother for the bequest of his masonic library; the action of the grand master in ordering the discontinuance of robes in conferring degrees was approved; a handsome sword was presented by the grand tyler; and a jewel and apron were voted to the retiring grand master.

M. W. W. H. Scott, Grand Master; R. W. S. P. Williams, reelected Grand Secretary; both of Providence.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA, 1901.

The one hundred and twenty-fifth annual communication was held at Charleston, Dec. 10th and 11th, M. W. Orlando Sheppard, Grand Master. One hundred and seventy-one lodges represented; one hundred and eighty-four on the roll. Seven past grand masters and our representative present.

Four dispensations for new lodges; one charter revived. Membership six thousand, five hundred, and thirty-two; gain two hundred and eighty-three. Receipts \$7,793.40.

Several constitutional amendments were adopted providing for life membership, for remission of fees and dues to ministers of the gospel, and for waiver of jurisdiction in case of removal of candidates; no action was taken upon the request of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico for recognition, or the invitation of the Grand Lodge Alpina for an international congress; the application of the Reginal Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania for recognition was refused; fraternal relations were established with the Grand Lodge of Western Australia; a

The death of Bro. J. H. Isaacson, grand secretary, was announced. He presided over the convention which organized the grand lodge in 1869, and in 1870 was elected to the position he so acceptably filled since that time. Upon the twenty-fifth anniversary he was unanimously elected honorary past grand master.

The portraits are of a past grand master and the late grand secretary.

The grand master correctly stated in his address:

I also considered it necessary to decline the issue of a dispensation to permit the burial, with masonic honors, of a fellow craft. I know of no precedent for issuing such a dispensation, and it must be borne in mind that it is not in the power of any man, or body of men, to make innovations in the body of masonry.

A brief discourse was delivered by Bro. John Almond, district grand chaplain; the salary of the grand secretary was fixed at \$600; a constitutional amendment was adopted levying an additional per capita tax of fifty cents for a permanent benevolent fund; and fraternal greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of New Jersey.

Bro. E. T. D. Chambers presented his accustomed able report on foreign correspondence, with the following compliment to Minnesota:

An exceedingly eloquent address was delivered by Bro. D. T. Calhoun, grand orator, and Bro. Irving Todd supplied another of his charming reports of foreign correspondence, in which Quebec's (1900) proceedings find very pleasant notice.

M. W. Edson Fitch, Quebec, was reelected Grand Master; R. W. W. H. Whyte, Montreal, Grand Secretary; Bro. E. T. D. Chambers, Quebec, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### RHODE ISLAND, 1902.

The one hundred and twelfth annual communication was held at Providence, May 19th, M. W. J. E. Hudson, Grand Master. The thirty-seven lodges were all represented. Seven past grand masters present; our representative absent.



We may say we are like Bro. Todd, in not liking titles to which we have no right, unless the *right* belongs to those who write the correspondence report.

Under Ohio he gives the following bit of history:

The records of the lodge to which the writer belongs show that the change requiring business generally to be transacted and the elections to be held in a master mason's lodge was made December, 1843.

This is a candid admission that masonry is not exactly at a standstill, even in Pennsylvania.

R.: W.: E. A. Tennis, Grand Master; R.: W.: W. A. Sinn' reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. Michael Arnold, chairman of the committee on correspondence; all of Philadelphia.

#### PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1902.

The twenty-seventh annual communication was held at Summerside, June 24th, M.: W.: John Muirhead, Grand Master. Eleven lodges represented; thirteen on the roll. Six past grand masters and our representative present.

Membership five hundred and seventy-four; gain fifteen. Receipts \$307.20.

The Grand Lodge of Costa Rica was recognized, and the benevolent fund reported at \$473.

M.: W.: W. R. Ellis, Port Hill, Grand Master; R.: W.: Neil MacKelvie, Summerside, reëlected Grand Secretary.

#### QUEBEC, 1902.

The thirty-second annual communication was held at Montreal, Jan. 29th, M.: W.: Edson Fitch, Grand Master. Fifty-five lodges represented; fifty-seven on the roll. Six past grand masters and our representative present.

Membership four thousand and nineteen; gain one hundred and ninety-four. Receipts \$2,948.50.

## PENNSYLVANIA, 1901.

At the December quarterly grand officers were elected; the grand charity fund was reported at \$104,559.17, the grand bequest at \$63,952, and the Patton fund at \$57,426.25; fraternal relations were resumed with the Grand Lodge of Washington; and the sixth volume of the reprint was reported ready for distribution.

The annual communication was held at Philadelphia, Dec. 27th, R. W. G. E. Wagner, Grand Master. Ninety-two lodges represented; four hundred and thirty-six on the roll. Four past grand masters present.

Three petitions for new lodges. Membership fifty-seven thousand, two hundred, and sixty-six; gain two thousand, three hundred, and seventy-six. Receipts \$142,793.94.

The portraits are of the grand master and a past grand master.

The grand masters of Delaware and New Jersey were present as visitors; the grand officers were installed; a committee was appointed to arrange for the celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the initiation of George Washington; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. J. M. Lamberton again presented the report on correspondence, two hundred and fifty well filled pages, with the following references to Minnesota:

The excellent address of the grand master gives a full account of his duties, well performed.

The grand orator, Bro. D. T. Calhoun, delivered an oration of more than usual interest.

The report of the committee on foreign correspondence is by the chairman, Bro. Irving Todd, who gives us another very interesting and well condensed report. We agree with him in thinking that padding might be omitted from grand masters' addresses, for "the letter book of the grand master is a sufficient record for such cases." Pennsylvania for 1899 is well summarized.

Under the head of New Mexico he adds:

Bro. Irving Todd again comes to the front with a pleasing and instructive correspondence report, ninety-one pages, well filled. Oregon for 1901 enjoys careful consideration and commendation.

Referring to the New York episode of last year he says:

We are not surprised that they relished Hamburger, and we hope it will lead to better fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, and that no foreign grand lodge will ever again attempt to plant a lodge within the jurisdiction of an American grand lodge.

The Oklahoma conundrum concerning lodge trials receives the following addition:

But suppose he returns to the jurisdiction of his own lodge before charges are preferred?

According to our practice his own lodge would have to take the matter up as the only one having jurisdiction, which the other lodge had lost by the change of residence.

Bro. Hodson thinks that some portions of the Alabama law are entitled to be called curiosities from the ruins, instead of discoveries; that there is a whole lot of buncombe in the flag requirement as applied to lodge halls; that pure masonry and pure religion are synonymous terms, with no handmaid business about it; that there is no use of having a grand master if he has no executive authority; that if the charter is absent there is no lodge present; that a Roman Catholic is never a masonic success; that masonry is not an order, but a fraternity, and should be so designated; that cremation is the proper method of disposing of mortal remains; that ritual vendors could not exist if there was not a demand for their work; and that a non-affiliate should be deprived of all privileges except the right to apply for restoration to good standing.

M.: W.: W. F. Butcher, Baker City, Grand Master; R.: W.: J. F. Robinson, Eugene, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. M. Hodson, Portland, committee on foreign correspondence.

comed as a visitor; the educational fund was reported at \$27,381.73; a telegram was sent to the only living past grand master absent to come down and join his brethren; the attempted change from custodians to a grand lecturer was vetoed by the committee on jurisprudence; certificates were ordered issued to master masons exempt from payment of dues; greetings were received from the grand chapter O. E. S.; a special committee was appointed to convey grateful remembrances to Bro. Joseph Kellogg, the messenger who brought the charter from the Grand Lodge of Missouri in 1848 for the first lodge on the Pacific Coast, and who is still living at the age of ninety years; charters were granted two lodges under dispensation; a brief address was delivered by Bro. J. H. Irvine, grand orator; the corner stone of the Scottish Rite Cathedral was laid, with an eloquent address by Bro. W. D. Fenton; a constitutional amendment was adopted permitting certain business to be transacted at special communications; the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica was recognized; conferring degrees upon more than one candidate at a time was prohibited; and a new committee was appointed to revise the funeral service and adapt it to cremation.

Bro. J. M. Hodson prepared another of his entertaining reports on foreign correspondence, with the following references to Minnesota:

The book of proceedings is introduced by a handsome portrait of Oregon's representative, M. W. Bro. G. S. Ives. Not because his name has been connected with us, who "hear nothing save our own dashing," but that he was Grand Master of Minnesota, and presided over the deliberations of the forty-ninth annual communication of the grand lodge.

The address is a concise report of the year's business, without any frills, but conveying all the important points.

Bro. W. P. Roberts, grand orator, treated the grand lodge to a very good address upon Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic, and we would be pleased if space permitted to clip quite a lot of his good thoughts; but we would suggest that he do not adopt the arrangement of the New York publishing house that makes Fortitude the first cardinal virtue, as Temperance is the first, and located in the guttural, and as the first rung of the masonic ladder, and any other arrangement destroys all masonic symbolism.

mason he had an undoubted right to present his petition for membership regardless of the date of his dimit.

The senior grand steward was directed to attend a lodge representative who had been taken ill, the bill to be paid by the grand lodge; the receipts for the home fund were reported at \$753.40; the grand lodges of Cuba and Costa Rica were recognized, and the application of Valle de Mexico declined; a readable address was delivered by Bro. C. H. Boocher, grand orator; nineteen charters were granted to lodges under dispensation; a proposition to donate twenty acres of land near Seward for a home was referred to the board of trustees; the committee on work approved the use of stage settings and scenery in conferring degrees; and lunch was served instead of a banquet, but the proceedings state it was a magnificent spread, and appreciated by the brethren just the same.

Ninety-eight pages were filled with members' names, but no report on foreign correspondence. However, the grand secretary was instructed to prepare one next year.

M.: W.: M. P. Stilwell, Gray Horse, Grand Master; R.: W.: J. S. Hunt, Stillwater, reelected Grand Secretary.

#### OREGON, 1902.

The fifty-second annual communication was held at Portland, June 11th, 12th, and 13th, M.: W.: W. E. Grace, Grand Master. Ninety-five lodges represented; ninety-nine on the roll. Sixteen past grand masters and our representative present.

Two dispensations for new lodges; one consolidation. Membership five thousand, nine hundred, and fifty-nine; gain three hundred and sixty-one. Receipts \$7,721.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The grand master reported that he had made two well known citizens masons at sight, just to show that the prerogative was in good working order in that jurisdiction.

The resignation of Bro. Gustaf Wilson, grand tyler since 1883, was accepted owing to the infirmities due to old age; Bro. W. A. De Wolf-Smith, of British Columbia, was wel-



OKLAHOMA, 1902.

The tenth annual communication was held at Guthrie, Feb. 11th and 12th, M. W. Charles Day, Grand Master. Forty-eight lodges represented; fifty-eight on the roll. Four past grand masters and our representative present.

Twenty dispensations for new lodges. Membership three thousand, two hundred, and ninety-one; gain six hundred and eighty-four. Receipts \$3,038.50.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The following were among the decisions reported:

1. In organizing new lodges during the year there arose two unusual occurrences. One in Lawson, in Pawnee County, the other at Cashion, in Logan County. These proposed lodges, having failed to procure the lawful certificate of their nearest lodge, and said nearest lodge making no objection to the location of the proposed new lodge, and the proposed lodges having certificates from our grand lecturer showing them well qualified to confer the ancient craft degrees, and myself not deeming it right for a lodge to arbitrarily block the progress of masonry, I, therefore, directed these proposed lodges to go before their next nearest lodge and procure the desired certificate. In arriving at this decision I was greatly aided by the committee on law and usage.

4. Can the work be communicated to Robert Ward, who for thirty years has been without masonic record or affiliation? No. Let him heal the masonic breach by regular petition and payment for the degrees.

7. Can a mason who is too old to sit in lodge affiliate by dimit? The age of a petitioner should not be a bar to affiliation. But if the brother has long been non-affiliated due diligence should be used in ascertaining his fitness for affiliation.

Failure to obtain consent of the nearest lodge is quite universally held as a bar to further proceedings. If the grand master was determined to organize the new lodge in any event why apply to the nearest lodge, or to any other for that matter?

We fail to understand why the one non-affiliate of thirty years' standing should be obliged to pay for the degrees again, and the other non-affiliate too old to sit in lodge could be admitted with only due diligence. If Robert Ward was a master

cil and a past grand high priest and grand commander and deputy of the supreme council were welcomed as visitors, a singular procedure in a grand lodge; the report of the home showed one hundred and thirty-six inmates, expenditures \$26,840.45; and a brief report was made of the thirty-first annual meeting of the veteran association.

Bro. W. M. Cunningham submitted another of his admirable reports on foreign correspondence, one of the longest as well as one of the best of the year. The following pleasant paragraphs are from his review of Minnesota:

The annual address of Grand Master Ives is a conservative masonic paper of eleven pages, in which he briefly reports his official acts, visitations, and recommendations.

The grand secretary, R. W. Bro. Thomas Montgomery, as an introductory to his annual report, pays an appropriate tribute to the six eminent grand secretaries of other grand jurisdictions who received their summons to the better world within the past year. His report is concluded with a reference to his pleasant trip abroad, and his attendance upon a communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Scotland at Edinburgh.

At the first day's session the grand orator, Bro. W. P. Roberts, delivered a very thoughtful address on Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic.

R. W. Bro. Irving Todd, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence, submitted a courteous and conservative masonic paper of ninety-one pages, giving a synopsis of the proceedings of fifty-seven grand bodies, Ohio for 1901 being among the number.

Forty-three pages of the Minnesota volume are devoted to the very interesting proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota.

An elaborate discussion of the Landmarks of Freemasonry is given as an introductory, with liberal quotations from standard masonic authorities.

M. W. W. A. Belt, Kenton, Grand Master; R. W. J. H. Bromwell, Cincinnati, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. M. Cunningham, Newark, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

The report on correspondence is from the pen of Bro. Irving Todd, and is an excellent though brief review of the proceedings, including that of Nova Scotia.

The report of the tenth annual reunion of the Masonic Veteran Association, which closes this interesting volume of proceedings, gives some pleasing reminiscences of freemasonry in years gone by.

M.: W.: L. B. Archibald, Truro, Grand Master; R.: W.: Thomas Mowbray, Halifax, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. T. B. Flint, Yarmouth, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

### OHIO, 1902.

The ninety-third annual communication was held at Columbus, Oct. 22d and 23d, M.: W.: I. M. Robinson, Grand Master. Four hundred and eighty-four lodges represented; four hundred and ninety-nine on the roll. Thirteen past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge; one consolidation. Membership fifty-one thousand, three hundred, and seventy-four; gain three thousand and twenty-five. Receipts \$40,-955.03.

The death of Bro. J. D. Caldwell, past grand secretary, was announced, at the venerable age of eighty-six years. He was one of the landmarks of Ohio masonry.

The portraits are of the grand master and past grand secretary.

The special committee on the Kiefer memorial reported progress; a visit was made to the home by special train; regrets were wired two past grand masters, absent by reason of illness; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; a jewel was voted to the retiring grand master; the committee on McKinley memorial reported contributions of \$2,621.30; the committee on jurisprudence held that the resolution of last year requiring visitors to produce a receipt for dues or dimit was irregularly adopted, and therefore null and void; a donation of \$10,000 was made to the home, in addition to the per capita tax of thirty cents; the grand master of the grand coun-

## NOVA SCOTIA, 1902.

The thirty-seventh annual communication was held at Truro, June 11th and 12th, M.: W.: Thomas Trenaman, Grand Master. Forty lodges represented; sixty-three on the roll. Four past grand masters and our representative present.

Membership three thousand, seven hundred and twenty; gain one hundred and forty-six. Receipts \$3,602.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The first order of business was the attendance upon church, with a sermon by Bro. G. A. Leck, grand chaplain; a committee was appointed to prepare a congratulatory address to King Edward VII. upon his coronation; an exchange of representatives was authorized with the Grand Lodge of Egypt; the right of members of an English military lodge at Halifax to affiliate in the jurisdiction was referred to a special committee, to report next year; the rank of past district deputy grand master was conferred upon four brethren for their services during the past two years; and a banquet was tendered by the local lodge.

The report on foreign correspondence was the usual composite affair, Minnesota falling to the share of the grand secretary, who gives our transactions a very fraternal review, from which the following paragraphs are taken:

Five lodges only not being represented, which shows how great an interest is taken by subordinate lodges in the transactions of grand lodge.

The grand master delivered an interesting address, giving in concise form an account of his stewardship.

We are very glad to learn that a few weeks' vacation in the old country had greatly benefited the health of the grand secretary, which from too close an attention to the duties of his office had become somewhat impaired. You must not work so hard, brother grand secretary.

The grand orator, Bro. W. P. Roberts, delivered an exceedingly interesting address on Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic, which we have perused with great pleasure, and regret that space will not admit of our quoting extracts from it for the benefit of our readers.

M.: W.: H. I. Clark, Scotland Neck, Grand Master; R.: W.: J. C. Drewry, Raleigh, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. A. Collins, Enfield, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### NORTH DAKOTA, 1902.

The thirteenth annual communication was held at Fargo, June 24th and 25th, M.: W.: T. L. Foulks, Grand Master. Fifty-eight lodges represented; sixty-five on the roll. Five past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership three thousand, nine hundred, and ninety-eight; gain two hundred and fifty-six. Receipts \$4,411.05.

The portraits are of the grand master, their first grand secretary, Bro. M. L. Youngs, of Wisconsin, and Bro. T. S. Parvin, of Iowa.

The aprons ordered last year were presented to the grand masters present; the report of the librarian showed a healthy increase in that valuable collection; several lodges were fined \$5 for delinquent returns; a per capita tax of ten cents for three years was levied for the maintenance of the library; Mrs. W. H. Best, wife of their deceased past grand master, was introduced and presented with an apron; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; the senior grand warden declined promotion for business reasons, and was tendered an apron and a vote of thanks for past services; a ritual of two degrees for the sons and brothers of master masons between the ages of fourteen and twenty-one was submitted by the grand secretary and referred to a special committee, to report next year; and the grand lodges of Costa Rica and Western Australia were recognized.

A brief report on foreign correspondence was presented by Bro. R. M. Carothers.

M.: W.: W. L. Stockwell, Grafton, Grand Master; R.: W.: F. J. Thompson, Fargo, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. R. M. Carothers, Grand Forks, committee on foreign correspondence.



Eight dispensations for new lodges; one charter restored and four surrendered. Membership twelve thousand and twelve; gain three hundred and seventy-five. Receipts \$7,647.55.

The portrait is that of the grand master

An interesting account of the location of the site of the first grand lodge in the colony, at Crown Point, was transmitted by a brother and spread upon the minutes; the reports of the Oxford Orphan Asylum show two hundred and twenty-one inmates, maintenance \$16,014.51; a somewhat lengthy address was delivered by Bro. A. A. Marshall, grand orator; the application of the Grand Lodge of Cuba for recognition was denied; the grand secretary was requested to retire, and during his absence a committee was appointed to procure a suitable wedding present, he having declined an increase in salary; charters were granted to eleven lodges under dispensation; plans for a masonic temple were directed to be submitted next year, with estimated cost of lot and building; an appropriation of \$10 per month was made for the support of a past grand lecturer; provision was made for printing the early proceedings as an appendix to the annual reports, that of 1798 appearing in the current volume; resolutions of thanks were extended to Mr. B. N. Duke, who had recently resigned as director of the orphan asylum owing to a change of residence; the recommendation to appoint two grand lecturers was tabled; thanks were extended to a telephone company for the free use of its lines during the session; a digest of decisions and laws was ordered prepared as a supplement to the code; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was again presented by Bro. J. A. Collins, a very readable paper, from which we cull as follows:

Bro. D. T. Calhoun, the grand orator, delivered a fine address on *The Universality of Masonry*, the closing paragraph of which we quote.

Bro. Irving Todd, as of yore, occupies the position of correspondence reporter, and in the compass of eighty-five pages gives a good summary of the proceedings reviewed. North Carolina for 1900 receives fraternal notice and due allowance of space.

W. D. T. Calhoun, grand orator, delivered a well written and interesting address.

R. W. J. H. Thompson, grand treasurer since 1878, was made a permanent member of the grand lodge. He would appear to be entitled to it on account of over twenty-one consecutive years of official service.

W. Irving Todd furnished an excellent report on correspondence, covering an interesting review of the proceedings of fifty-five grand lodges, including New York for 1900.

Under the head of Oregon is found the following explanation of their elections:

Under our law, where but one brother is in nomination for office in the grand lodge, and no objection being made, the election is by show of hands—acclamation. Prior to the adoption of the present method it was customary to vote by call of lodges, with one set of tellers, and the time required about three hours. In the event of several roll calls it can be readily apprehended that financial considerations (if no other) demanded a plan for economy of time—we have it.

As the present method is strictly one of promotion, it would be of interest to learn just how the selection of the junior grand warden is arrived at. There surely must be something more than a mere showing of hands in a jurisdiction with so many capable and ambitious brethren.

According to Bro. Anthony's statistics our Minneapolis No. 19 has lost its distinction of being the largest lodge in the country, Gennessee Falls No. 507, at Rochester, having one hundred and twelve more members.

M. W. Elbert Crandall, Brooklyn, Grand Master; M. W. E. M. L. Ehlers, New York, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. B. Anthony, Utica, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### NORTH CAROLINA, 1902.

The one hundred and fifteenth annual communication was held at Raleigh, Jan. 14th, 15th, and 16th, M. W. B. S. Royster, Grand Master. Two hundred and two lodges represented; three hundred and twenty-four on the roll. Six past grand masters present; our representative absent.

The grand master reported the formation of a clandestine lodge in the city, through printed circulars emanating from Justin Pinney, of Worthington, O., and the prompt expulsion of one of the most active agents, a member of a New York lodge. Some of the cerneau chickens are evidently going home to roost.

An interesting episode was noted by the grand secretary, a timely reminder to a non-resident brother during the masonic fair of 1887 having resulted in the founding of six hospital beds in perpetuity, representing a value of \$30,000.

The report of the home gave two hundred and seventy-three inmates, maintenance \$47,134.85, betterments \$25,120.17; the report of the grand historian consisted of most valuable historical sketches of the first twenty-two lodges upon the rolls, collected by long and patient research; the grand librarian reported a large number of accessions, many of them rare, and a weeding out of non-masonic books and documents to make room; the salary of the grand secretary was increased to \$5,400; the grand officers were elected by acclamation; a magnificent floral piece was presented to the grand master elect; the work reported by the special committee was adopted as standard; recognition of the several grand lodges in Mexico was deferred, their past experience with the Gran Dieta being quite sufficient for the present; an appropriation of \$200 was made for publishing the list of grand officers in a masonic periodical during the year; several constitutional amendments were proposed, providing for the custodians of the work, admission of visitors, and commission of appeals; an exchange of representatives with the Grand Lodge Zur Sonne at Bayreuth was recommended; the invitation of the Grand Lodge Alpina was declined; charters were granted to the two lodges under dispensation; the request of Adelphi Lodge No. 23 to change to No. 18, now vacant, was denied, it being an injustice to four older lodges; and portraits in oil of two past grand masters were presented and duly accepted.

Bro. J. B. Anthony submitted his fourteenth annual report on foreign correspondence, the translations by Bro. Emil Frenkel. It is an exhaustive document, for which \$600 was well expended. The following paragraphs are taken from the review of Minnesota:

## NEW SOUTH WALES, 1902.

At the September quarterly an expression of sympathy for President McKinley was cabled to America, and the board of general purposes reported having fined a lodge one guinea for initiating a candidate without complying with the regulations.

At the December quarterly the death of Bro. J. P. Abbott, past grand master, was announced, and the controversy with the Grand Lodge of England over Cambrian Lodge was reviewed at considerable length in the address.

At the June quarterly the grand master reported that he had declined issuing a warrant for a lodge in Fiji, it being out of their jurisdiction, and grand officers were elected.

Three lodges were resuscitated during the year; one warrant surrendered. Membership eight thousand, eight hundred, and twelve; gain six hundred and twenty-six.

None of the members of the committee on foreign correspondence seem to have received the Minnesota proceedings, it not being included in their joint report.

M.: W.: J. C. Remington, reelected Grand Master; V.: W.: A. H. Bray, Grand Secretary; both of Sydney.

## NEW YORK, 1902.

The one hundred and twenty-first annual communication was held at New York, May 6th, 7th, and 8th, M.: W.: C. W. Mead, Grand Master. Seven hundred and fifty-five lodges on the roll, with a constitutional number reported in attendance. Eight past grand masters and our representative present.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership one hundred and eleven thousand, three hundred, and sixty-five; gain five thousand, one hundred, and thirty. Receipts \$86,937.65.

Among the deaths announced were Bro. J. G. Barker, founder of the grand lodge library, and Bro. Daniel Sickles, author of the standard monitor.

The portraits are of Bro. D. W. Tompkins, past grand master, Bro. G. W. White, past grand treasurer, and President McKinley.

The Grand Lodge of Costa Rica was recognized, and the request of the Grand Orient of Belgium deferred; a tax of \$3 for each initiation, \$2 for passing, and \$1 for raising was levied for the benefit of the revenue fund; and the request of the Grand Lodge Alpina was not considered.

The paper read by Bro. W. G. Rich at the fiftieth anniversary of Montezuma Lodge No. 1 is printed as an appendix to the proceedings. It is a valuable contribution to the masonic history of that locality.

The usual condensed report on foreign correspondence was transmitted by Bro. W. H. Seamon, from which we quote the following:

He (Bro. Brandenburg) granted dispensations to heal six candidates who had been passed before serving the required time. The healing was done, but how is not noted. We would like to know the formula for such a process. No mention is made of the healing of the lodge which committed the error, which seems to us to have been the creature which most required the "laying on of hands."

Bro. D. T. Calhoun delivered the customary oration. We note one point worthy of remembrance.

Bro. Irving Todd submits the usual able review. New Mexico for 1899 receives the courteous treatment which this brother gives to everything. He notes our important acts, and indirectly commends our position on the liquor question.

We have no time limit in Minnesota, advancement being purely a matter of proficiency proven in open lodge, but the making of more than five brethren at one time is a violation of the constitution necessitating the interposition of a dispensation. The healing presumably consisted of reobligating the candidates.

Bro. Seamon is of the opinion that there should be but one grand lodge in Mexico, and that for the entire republic, which is hardly practicable under existing conditions.

M.: W.: A. H. Harlee, Silver City, Grand Master; R.: W.: A. A. Keen, Albuquerque, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. H. Seamon, El Paso, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.



missible in Minnesota. If so, why should it require dispensation? It seems queer procedure to New Jersey masons.

The grand orator, Bro. D. T. Calhoun, delivered a well conceived and interesting address upon The Universality of Masonry, which occupies nine pages of the proceedings.

The report on foreign correspondence is by Bro. Irving Todd, and covers a review of the proceedings of sixty-five jurisdictions. It is the work of a master, and fills the bill nicely. Comments are terse, and all the good things are presented. New Jersey is allotted two pages. The conclusion of the committee on jurisprudence in the Washington matter is reproduced, and mention made of the papers presented by M.'. W.'. Bro. Whitehead regarding the masonic convention in Morristown in 1779. Thanks, Bro. Todd, for information regarding the closing of the master mason's lodge, and pardon our curiosity.

The proceedings of the Masonic Veterans' Association make an interesting appendix, and are preceded by a portrait of R.'. W.'. M. N. Gilbert, deceased.

Our constitution provides that "a lodge has power to make but five new brethren at the same time without a dispensation from the grand master," which answers the inquiry. It was the law in New York when our grand lodge was organized, but is not now.

M.'. W.'. W. H. Apgar, Grand Master; R.'. W.'. T. H. R. Redway, reëlected Grand Secretary; both of Trenton; Bro. Charles Belcher, Newark, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### NEW MEXICO, 1901.

The twenty-fourth annual communication was held at Albuquerque, Oct. 21st and 22d, M.'. W.'. E. S. Stover, Grand Master. Seventeen lodges represented; twenty on the roll. Ten past grand masters and our representative present.

One charter surrendered. Membership ten hundred and seventy-nine; gain one hundred and eight. Receipts, \$1,039.

The death of Bro. S. B. Newcomb, past grand master, was announced. He presided at the convention which organized the grand lodge, and was its first senior grand warden.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

## NEW JERSEY, 1902.

The one hundred and fifteenth annual communication was held at Trenton, Jan. 29th and 30th, M. W. J. E. Moore, Grand Master. One hundred and sixty-four lodges represented; one hundred and seventy on the roll. Nine past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership nine thousand, one hundred, and fifty; gain ten hundred and fifty. Receipts \$23,617.30.

The portraits are of the grand master and President Mc Kinley.

Forty-two applicants were examined by the grand master during the year as to physical qualifications, twelve being declared ineligible; a large number of grand and past grand officers were present from neighboring jurisdictions; fraternal greetings were wired to the Grand Lodge of Quebec; the report of the home shows fifty inmates and maintenance \$13,513.62; the request of the Grand Lodge of Washington for resumption of fraternal relations was denied; provision was made for a library committee; warrants were granted to the lodge under dispensation and to a new lodge just organized; the five children from the home were received with a Chautauqua salute; the committee on history submitted an interesting report, showing the practical completion of their arduous labors; the Grand Lodge of Western Australia was recognized; a revision of the digest was ordered, to be reported next year; a jewel was presented to Bro. Jacob Ringle, father of the home, and another voted to the retiring grand master; the date of holding the annual communication was changed to the first Wednesday after the second Tuesday in March; and a donation day was set apart for the home.

Bro. Charles Belcher submitted another of his well written reports on foreign correspondence, certainly earning the \$300 appropriated for this purpose. The following extracts are taken from the two pages devoted to Minnesota:

We presume from this that the conferring of the master mason degree on more than five at one and the same communication is per-

The portrait is that of the grand master, with a group of the elective officers.

The action of Bible Lodge in holding another meeting after the stated communication had been closed and a number of the members gone home, for the election of a candidate rejected that evening, was unqualifiedly disapproved; the lodge should either change its name or its practices; the decision of the acting grand master denying advancement to a deformed entered apprentice was approved; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. A. S. Wait presented his twenty-fifth report on foreign correspondence, "with fraternal compliments to the brethren, and best wishes for the continued prosperity of our beloved fraternity." It is an able and well considered paper. Under the head of Minnesota is found the following:

The address of the presiding grand master, M. W. Bro. Alonzo Brandenburg, delivered on opening the grand body, is a plain, business-like statement of the acts of his administration during the year.

The grand orator this year was Bro. D. T. Calhoun, and his address delivered before the grand lodge is an interesting and most thoughtful production, presenting the masonic institution in its relations to the nineteenth century just past, to its progress and the work it has accomplished. It is well worthy of the compliment it receives in being published with the proceedings.

The report on correspondence covers eighty-five pages, and is as in former years the work of our able brother, Irving Todd. As a whole it is a most thorough and exhaustive review of the transactions of such sister grand lodges as had come to his hands, and presents the progress and status of the craft in a manner to be clearly comprehended by the reader. Our proceedings for 1900 have a place in the work, with comments in every way to be appreciated by New Hampshire masons.

Bro. Wait still holds that an application must be declared rejected upon an unfavorable report by the committee, in which we do not agree.

M. W. H. M. Cheney, Lebanon, Grand Master; R. W. F. D. Woodbury, Concord, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. A. S. Wait, Newport, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## NEW BRUNSWICK, 1901.

The thirty-fourth annual communication was held at St. John, Aug. 27th and 28th, M.: W.: J. G. Forbes, Grand Master. Twenty-two lodges represented; thirty-four on the roll. Three past grand masters present, including our representative.

Membership eighteen hundred and ninety-four; gain seventy-seven. Receipts \$1,937.85.

The death of Bro. Dingee Scribner, grand tyler for thirty years, was announced, at the advanced age of eighty-four years.

An excursion was given on the River St. John on the first afternoon; provision was made for the appointment of a grand lecturer; several constitutional amendments were adopted, of purely local interest; a warrant issued by the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia to Sion Lodge No. 21, bearing date Aug. 15th, 1792, was presented to the grand lodge by our representative and ordered framed; the committee on grand lodge union reported that no attempt had been made to secure a meeting of the joint committees, and were discharged; Western Australia and Costa Rica were recognized; the invitation of the Grand Lodge Alpina to join in an international union was declined; a warrant was issued to the lodge under dispensation; and regrets were extended to a past grand master, absent through illness.

M.: W.: A. I. Trueman, Grand Master; V.: W.: J. T. Hartt, reelected Grand Secretary; both of St. John.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1902.

The one hundred and thirteenth annual communication was held at Concord, May 21st, M.: W.: H. B. Quinby, Grand Master. Sixty lodges represented; seventy-eight on the roll. Eleven past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership nine thousand, four hundred, and eighty; gain ninety-three. Receipts \$3,367.58.

## NEVADA, 1902.

The thirty-eighth annual communication was held at Carson City, June 10th and 11th, M. W. G. A. Morgan, Grand Master. Eighteen lodges represented; twenty on the roll. Five past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership nine hundred and four; gain nineteen. Receipts \$1,730.25.

The death of Bro. D. E. Bailey, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

A charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; recognition was extended to Western Australia and Costa Rica, and the request from Valle de Mexico deferred; an elaborate banquet was served by the local lodge; begging circulars from other jurisdictions were ordered not to be read in the lodges except in cases of great calamity, and then only after the approval of the grand master; the report on foreign correspondence was limited to fifty pages, and the compensation reduced to \$50; and the levying of a per capita tax of twenty-five cents for a masonic home fund was deemed not advisable.

The report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. A. D. Bird, after a year's absence from the circle. Of the writer he says:

Bro. Irving Todd presents the review of correspondence, and under Nevada he compliments Bro. Vanderlieth by giving extracts, a page in all.

Bro. Bird believes that a modification of the extreme policy of perpetual jurisdiction is right, and that public installations are for the benefit of the brothers' families, and not for attracting new members.

M. W. A. O. Percy, Gold Hill, Grand Master; V. W. C. N. Noteware, Carson City, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. E. D. Vanderlieth, Carson City, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.



grand lodge at Omaha, not having received a majority, was declared not carried, and it was resubmitted; lodges not reporting their vote on constitutional amendments are hereafter to be fined twenty-five cents on each member from its rebate credit; a special committee was appointed upon the work of the jurisdiction; and thanks were voted to the retiring grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was the joint production of Bros. D. H. Wheeler and C. J. Phelps, Minnesota falling to the former, from whom we quote as follows:

A most interesting and valuable oration was delivered by Grand Orator Roberts, from which we would be glad to quote, but it is so connected that we cannot do the brother justice without reproducing the same in full, and our space forbids us doing so.

The committee on foreign correspondence covers two hundred and thirty-eight pages in a comprehensive and interesting review of other grand jurisdictions. Nebraska receives favorable notice therein.

Bro. Wheeler says their presence shows that the past grand officers still take an active interest in masonry in the jurisdiction that has honored them; that the representation is a commendable record for the subordinate lodges; and that the prohibition resolution places our grand lodge upon the true masonic standard.

Our good brother must have trespassed upon the veterans in his count of pages. This committee is only responsible for ninety-one of them.

Under the head of Wyoming Bro. Phelps pertinently asks:

Why, then, make pretense of a loftier stand than other grand jurisdictions? And why not recognize the fact, for fact it is, that masonic law has always been framed with a view to the exercise of prerogatives by the grand master, where exigencies arise, else more comprehensive legislation would have been the rule.

M'. W'. N. M. Ayers, Beaver City, Grand Master; R'. W'. F. E. White, Plattsmouth, reëlected Grand Secretary, and continued as chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

and does not diminish in the qualities of a good reporter in the passing years, but still furnishes a very readable report. The present one consists of ninety-one pages, and contains reviews of fifty-seven grand lodge journals. Of course, with such a large number of proceedings reviewed in such a small space, he was greatly restricted. Our Missouri journal for 1901 was briefly noticed, two pages being set apart for that purpose.

M. W. J. C. Yocum, Kansas City, Grand Master; R. W. J. D. Vincil, St. Louis, reelected Grand Secretary.

#### NEBRASKA, 1902.

The forty-fifth annual communication was held at Omaha June 4th and 5th, M. W. R. E. Evans, Grand Master. Two hundred and fourteen lodges represented; two hundred and thirty-four on the roll. Twenty-two past grand masters present, our representative being among the number.

Two dispensations for new lodges; two charters surrendered. Membership thirteen thousand, one hundred, and fifteen; gain three hundred and forty-eight. Receipts \$14,910.49.

Three of the twenty-one decisions were not approved by the committee on jurisprudence; the reprints of volumes five, six, and seven were announced as ready for distribution; the Grand Lodges of New Zealand and Valle de Mexico were recognized; the invitation of the Grand Lodge Alpina received scant courtesy from the committee on foreign correspondence; fraternal greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Iowa by wire; the oration by Bro. A. C. Shallenberger was delivered by a brother in the absence of the grand orator; heartfelt sympathy was extended to the survivors of the Martinique disaster; charters were granted the two lodges under dispensation; lodges were ordered to discontinue the use of paraphernalia or emblems; several constitutional amendments were proposed; lodges were authorized to attend church at any time without a dispensation; a republication of the law was ordered, to include the monitor in one volume; the relief fund was increased by voting it ten per cent of the net receipts, instead of five; the amendment locating the

Four dispensations for new lodges; one consolidation. Membership thirty-five thousand, nine hundred, and three; gain twelve hundred and eighty-nine. Receipts \$35,108.25.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

Kansas was represented by her grand master and grand secretary; the grand master having been absent from the jurisdiction about half the year, there was also an address from the deputy grand master; three hundred and forty-one lodges failed to return their vote on the constitutional amendment of last year; an extemporaneous address was delivered by Bro. E. A. Krauthoff on Cornerstones of Character, and consequently not printed; the Grand Master of Nebraska was also welcomed as a visitor; Bro. J. L. Kuykendall, the donor of \$13,500 in real estate mortgages to the home, was introduced and tendered a vote of thanks; charters were granted to the four lodges under dispensation; fraternal greetings were wired the grand chaplain, absent through illness; an attempt to make their prohibition legislation still more stringent was defeated; several constitutional amendments were proposed and lie over until next year; an appropriation of \$100 was made to send a delegate to the Washington anniversary at Philadelphia; and the report of the home shows one hundred and thirty-nine inmates, maintenance \$17,550.64.

The grand secretary handed in his twenty-fifth report on foreign correspondence, an elaborate paper of one hundred and seventy-seven pages, with very few extracts. Under the head of Minnesota is found the following:

The address of the grand master was a comparatively brief one, and made up of business matters without any attempt at the ornate in style or eloquence in utterance, showing good, practical business sense. \* \* \* He gave utterance to some of the most sensible views respecting the authority of a grand master that I have met with in my general review.

The address of the grand master has thus been briefly reviewed, and it was followed by the annual report of the grand secretary, Bro. Thomas Montgomery. \* \* \* Following this trip abroad he returned to official duty greatly benefited, and presented very cheerfully his thirteenth annual report, which is an excellent business document.

A report emanated from the committee of which Bro. Irving Todd is chairman. He has been doing this work for a number of years,

lodge to retain per diem and mileage from its remittance of dues was continued, a clear gain if no representative is in attendance; the tender of the Natchez Orphan Asylum to the fraternity was referred to a special committee, who recommended that the annual appropriation of \$500 to that institution be discontinued and turned over to their own home; one charter was revived, one dispensation continued, and three others granted; the new code of disciplinary rules was adopted; the committee on home reported that it was inexpedient to begin building at present, owing to an insufficiency of funds; an appropriation of \$500 was made towards the Power monument; a Memphis publication was adopted as the grand lodge organ; a number of lodge representatives were fined one day's pay for not responding at roll call; a vote of thanks was tendered the retiring grand master; and Bro. Julius Harris was created an honorary member.

Bro. A. H. Barkley submitted another of his admirable reports on correspondence, with the following paragraph under the head of Minnesota:

The cream of the matter contained between the paper covers of the book is the correspondence of Bro. Irving Todd. Its value to the craft at large cannot be properly estimated. The thoughts crowded into its pages are worthy to be treasured up, and the words in which they are wrapped garnered in the mind of every mason. The reading of such reports is a source of profit to the thinking mind, and to let such an opportunity pass unimproved is a loss which cannot be repaired. His review contains eighty-five pages of well digested matter, and the excerpts are the very best to be found on the pages from which they are culled. His review of Mississippi for 1900 is exceedingly courteous and fraternal.

M.: W.: H. T. Howard, Biloxi, Grand Master; M.: W.: Frederic Speed, Vicksburg, Grand Secretary; Bro. A. H. Barkley, Crawford, committee on fraternal correspondence.

#### MISSOURI, 1902.

The eighty-second annual communication was held at Kansas City, Oct. 21st, 22d, and 23d, M.: W.: J. C. Finagin, Grand Master. Three hundred and sixty-four lodges represented; five hundred and sixty-one on the roll. Sixteen past grand masters and our representative present.

permitted in lodge rooms where the sentiment was practically unanimous; it was voted to return to the practice of printing reports on correspondence; no action was taken on the invitation from the Grand Lodge Alpina; an amendment to the by-laws was adopted allowing per diem and mileage to grand officers in attendance upon laying of corner stones, funerals, and other official duties; the grand master's allowance for expenses was increased from \$500 to \$750; and the revision of the Blue Book was approved and a new edition ordered.

M. W. Neal McMillan, Port Huron, Grand Master; R. W. J. S. Conover, Coldwater, reëlected Grand Secretary.

#### MISSISSIPPI, 1902.

The eighty-fourth annual communication was held at Winona, Feb. 27th and 28th, M. W. O. L. McKay, Grand Master. Two hundred and seventy-four lodges represented; two hundred and eighty-four on the roll. Fourteen past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership ten thousand, six hundred, and seventy-six; gain six hundred and forty. Receipts \$11,247.55.

The portraits are of the grand master, Bro. J. L. Power, late grand secretary, and Bro. A. H. Barkley, past grand master and committee on correspondence.

The report of Bro. Frederic Speed, acting grand secretary, is an exhaustive statement of the transactions of that office during the past year; the home fund was given at \$31,195.82; the usual number of decisions were reported by the law committee; Bro. W. C. Blythe, master of a lodge for a quarter of a century and a mason over half a century, was elected an honorary member of the grand lodge; a memorial service was held the first evening for the late grand secretary; the recommendation of the grand master for a permanent location was not adopted, and the next meeting will be held at Biloxi; the law committee correctly held that a forfeited charter could not be restored; the grand lodges of Cuba, Costa Rica, and Puerto Rico were recognized, and fraternal relations resumed with the Grand Lodge of Washington; the practice of allowing each



## MICHIGAN, 1902.

The fifty-eighth annual communication was held at Muskegon, Jan. 28th and 29th, M. W. F. O. Gilbert, Grand Master. Three hundred and eighty-two lodges represented; three hundred and ninety on the roll. Fourteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership forty-five thousand, two hundred, and nine; gain fourteen hundred and sixty-seven. Receipts \$22,995.90.

The deaths of Bro. J. W. Champlin and Bro. W. L. Weber, past grand masters, were announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The address notes two more lost rituals; one upon the street, the other from an unlocked desk. The best way to remedy this carelessness is to call them all in and have a bonfire.

But eight decisions were reported, none of general interest. This is a great shrinkage for Michigan, but there are nineteen memorial pages as an offset.

The grand secretary reported the completion of the grand lodge register, at an expense of \$1,919.09; greetings were wired Bro. Hugh McCurdy, absent in California; the report of the home gave forty-four inmates and \$6,798 expenditures; the committee on revision of the ritual in German reported progress and was continued; mileage and per diem were voted to representatives of eight lodges stuck fast in the ice on a Mackinaw ferry boat; two charters were granted and one dispensation continued; the action of the grand master in forwarding \$300 to the Jacksonville sufferers was approved; a special committee was appointed to revise the ritual for reprinting; an appropriation of \$200 was made for the entertainment of the Grand Lodge of Canada at its meeting in July; the order of the Eastern Star was recommended to the fraternity by resolution; a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master; a collection of \$133.36 was taken to lift the mortgage upon the little home of a mason's widow; the jurisprudence committee recommended that dancing and card playing be

The grand orator, Bro. D. T. Calhoun, delivered a well prepared oration, which, we are informed, was listened to with marked attention.

The report on correspondence is, as usual, from the pen of Bro. Irving Todd. A very brief notice is given to our 1899 proceedings, but without comment.

M. W. T. J. Shryock, Grand Master, and R. W. J. H. Medairy, Grand Secretary, were reëlected; Bro. E. T. Schultz, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence; all of Baltimore.

#### MASSACHUSETTS, 1901.

The annual communication was held at Boston, Dec. 11th, M. W. C. T. Gallagher, Grand Master. One hundred and eighty-six lodges represented; two hundred and thirty-six on the roll. Four past grand masters present.

One dispensation for a new lodge; one charter surrendered. Membership forty-two thousand and ninety-five; gain ten hundred and seventy-six. Receipts, exclusive of rents, \$13,950.

The death of Bro. C. C. Dame, past grand master, was announced. The portrait of this eminent brother faces the title page.

In addition to the quarterlies nine special communications were held during the year, of which five were centennial anniversaries of lodges.

The total amount of charity funds was reported at \$213,566.73; the grand officers were installed on St. John's Day, with the annual feast.

M. W. C. T. Gallagher, Boston, Grand Master, and R. W. S. D. Nickerson, Cambridge, Recording Grand Secretary, were reëlected.

Lodges of Costa Rica and Egypt were recognized; the three dispensations were continued; a brief summary of past grand masters' decisions is given in the proceedings, less than two pages; and a suitable testimonial was voted to the retiring grand master.

M. W. R. H. Myers, Minnedosa, Grand Master; M. W. J. A. Ovas, Winnipeg, reelected Grand Secretary.

### MARYLAND, 1901.

Special communications were held for the purpose of presenting a magnificent jewel to the grand master upon his fiftieth birthday, the holding of a memorial service for Bro. William McKinley, and the laying of the foundation stone of a monument to the soldiers of the revolutionary war.

The one hundred and fifteenth annual communication was held at Baltimore, Nov. 19th and 20th, M. W. T. J. Shryock, Grand Master. The one hundred and four lodges apparently all represented. One past grand master present.

Membership eight thousand, two hundred, and seventy-eight; loss five. Receipt \$34,744.85.

The portraits are of the grand master, a past grand master, and President McKinley. There are also cuts of the grand master's jewel and a panel from the house doors of the national capitol, representing the laying of the corner stone by Bro. George Washington.

The grand lodges of Costa Rica and Western Australia were recognized; it was resolved to procure a grand lodge banner; an appropriate reply was drafted to the communication of sympathy from the Grand Lodge of England upon the murder of our late president; a special committee was appointed to confer with other grand bodies as to the propriety of a change of time in their annual meetings; and resolutions of sympathy were extended to three past grand officers in their serious illness.

The usual report on correspondence was submitted by Bro. E. T. Schultz, with a fraternal review of our last year's proceedings. He says:

Not having the heart to attempt a review of this last communication from an old friend and brother, we lay aside the volume with the following extracts pertaining to Minnesota, for whom Bro. Drummond ever had the highest fraternal regard:

We regret to learn that the grand secretary, in the early part of the year, was in such ill health as to excite the apprehension of his friends. But he took a vacation and went abroad, and returned greatly benefited. He visited the grand lodges of England, Scotland, and Ireland, and was most heartily welcomed.

The grand orator, W. P. Roberts, delivered an exceedingly interesting address on the subject, *Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic*. \* \* \* We should like to quote much more, but cannot, and would be very glad to have brethren read the whole address.

The report on correspondence (ninety-one pages) was presented by Bro. Irving Todd. As heretofore it is one of his wonderfully condensed abstracts with very few comments. \* \* \* In his review of Virginia he devotes some space to discussion, but we must pass over it and give something from the proceedings of the Veteran Association, which are published in this pamphlet. \* \* \* This installment completes the first volume, and it is a volume of exceedingly great value, and in the future will be highly appreciated.

M. W. A. S. Kimball, Norway, Grand Master, and R. W. Stephen Berry, Portland, Grand Secretary, were reelected.

#### MANITOBA, 1902.

The twenty-seventh annual communication was held at Calgary, June 11th and 12th, M. W. R. S. Thornton, Grand Master. Forty-three lodges represented; seventy on the roll. Three past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership three thousand, four hundred, and eighty-six; gain two hundred and forty-eight. Receipts \$3,012.90.

The death of Bro. J. D. O'Meara, past grand master, was announced.

The usual thanks were tendered Senator Knute Nelson for *The Congressional Record*; the rank of past district deputy grand master was conferred on twelve brethren; the Grand

one hundred and ninety-seven on the roll. Eleven past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership twenty-three thousand, two hundred, and twenty-four; gain five hundred and thirty-four. Receipts \$7,463.04.

Among the approved decisions we note the following:

4. Some years since a lodge voted not to give any one but one year, or one term, in the east. Can the lodge reëlect the present master without changing the record? Yes, the vote is repealable at the will of the lodge, and in no manner binding upon it, not being incorporated in the by-laws; and, as a vote, is in violation of fundamental masonic principles, and the fact that a brother is master of a lodge one year is no bar to his eligibility for reëlection, notwithstanding the existence of the vote.

Votes of sympathy were tendered to Bro. W. S. Choate and Bro. E. P. Burnham, past grand masters, absent through illness; the grand secretary was authorized to issue certificates to be used in lodges where the old charters are unfit for constant handling, with a fee of \$2 each; no action was taken upon the invitation of the Grand Lodge Alpina; sixteen lodge histories were reported as received by the committee during the year; the Grand Orient of Belgium was fraternally admonished to sever its relations with the Grand Orient of France, an event outside of the probabilities; and it was voted to hereafter appoint an assistant grand secretary, to serve during the sessions.

The report on foreign correspondence concludes a series of the ablest and most valuable papers to be found in the literature of the craft. In 1865 Bro. J. H. Drummond, as successor of the lamented Bro. Cyril Pearl, submitted his first and has written them continuously ever since, thirty-eight in all. His ripe experience at the head of grand lodge, chapter, council, and commandery, general grand chapter and council, and supreme council, his studious habits, retentive memory, and fine judicial mind eminently fitted him for a position in which for years he was justly considered as the greatest living masonic authority. His sudden death in the street, Oct. 25th, caused a profound sensation throughout the civilized world.



invitation of the Grand Lodge Alpina for a masonic conference was declined; the revision of the general regulations and edicts was adopted and ordered printed; Bro. Harrison Dingman, past grand master of the District of Columbia, was welcomed as a visitor; the application of the McKinley Memorial Association for subscriptions was rejected, the proposed monument not being considered exclusively masonic; an appropriation of \$100 was made to the grand secretary as chairman of the committee on revision of laws; a lodge charter was forfeited for failure to make returns during the past four years; a special committee was provided for to consider the matter of setting aside funds to pay the expenses of one representative from each lodge, and to educate indigent orphans of worthy master masons; the date of the annual communication was changed to the first Monday in February; a resolution of appreciation was voted to Bro. S. M. Todd, past grand master, now in his eighty-seventh year and fifty-seventh as a mason; the attempt to deprive Eastern Star chapters of the use of masonic halls was defeated; a special committee was appointed to consider a tender of land for a masonic home; and the petition of five lodges for the refunding of dues on account of losses by fire was denied.

Bro. H. C. Duncan abandoned the topical plan, and presented his report on foreign correspondence in what is believed to be a more interesting and readable form. It is largely made up of quotations. He copies a portion of Bro. Brandenburg's address, a decision, and a notice of Bishop Gilbert's death. We congratulate Bro. Duncan upon his new departure.

M. W. R. R. Reid, Amite City, Grand Master; R. W. Richard Lambert, New Orleans, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. H. C. Duncan, Alexandria, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### MAINE, 1902.

The eighty-third annual communication was held at Portland, May 6th, 7th, and 8th, M. W. A. S. Kimball, Grand Master. One hundred and eighty-nine lodges represented;

The report on correspondence is the work of Bro. Irving Todd, embracing ninety-one pages. It is well mixed with extracts, but there is considerable amount of manuscript interspersed in the paper. He has accorded to the proceedings of Kentucky two and a half pages in kind and fraternal review, giving to this writer's sayings much the largest share, quoting very freely therefrom. We are glad to notice that Bro. Todd agrees with the writer about calling to refreshment, and then putting on masonic clothing and appearing in public to bury the dead.

The proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association are a part of the pamphlet before us, and is an interesting part also. We regret to announce that our venerable brother, G. R. Metcalf, has retired from the presidency, but Bro. B. F. Farmer, a good man, fills his place.

Yes, Bro. B. F. Farmer was a good man and a good mason, and his sudden death a little more than three months after being seated in the venerable chair is sincerely mourned by many friends and associates both in and out of the association.

M. W. J. W. Landrum, Mayfield, Grand Master; R. W. H. B. Grant, Louisville, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. W. Staton, Brookville, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### LOUISIANA, 1902.

The ninetieth annual communication was held at New Orleans, Feb. 10th, 11th, and 12th, M. W. R. H. Cage, Grand Master. Ninety-two lodges represented; one hundred and forty on the roll. Five past grand masters and our representative present.

Six dispensations for new lodges. Membership six thousand, three hundred, and sixty-one; gain six hundred and four. Receipts \$23,234.72.

The death of Bro. S. J. Powell, past grand master, was announced.

The temple directors reported the payment of \$10,000 bonds, reducing the debt to \$34,100, with \$10,000 spent in improvements; five charters were granted and one dispensation continued; the special committee reported an expenditure of \$2,759.94 upon the masonic cemetery; the edict of non-intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Washington was withdrawn; the Grand Lodge of Western Australia was recognized; the

the prohibition legislation was referred to the grand master elect, and resolutions condemning prize fighting were rejected; the application for remission of dues for several members in the insane asylum was not granted; the fund collected for the Breckenridge monument was turned over to the general fund, as the grave of their past grand master could not be positively identified; six charters were granted to lodges under dispensation, four dispensations continued, and three new ones issued; several constitutional amendments were laid over a year for consideration; the committee on The Masonic, as their new building is termed, reported that the entire cost would be \$250,000, and that the net revenues would probably pay interest on this amount; the grand master elect was installed by his father, a past grand master; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Another installment of the centennial history is given as an appendix, bringing the proceedings down to 1853. It is, however, a brief skeleton, not a reprint. The one hundred and ninety-two pages of names seem a paramount desideratum in that jurisdiction.

The report on foreign correspondence was from the experienced pen of Bro. J. W. Staton, written under the cloud of a temple debt and illness in his family. We fear that the present generation will never see the liability wiped out. Two pages of his limited space are allotted to Minnesota, from which the following are taken:

A very well executed picture of the grand master, G. S. Ives, makes the front of the volume.

The address is a practical disposition of the matters presented, and a good paper.

The report of the grand secretary, Bro. Thomas Montgomery, is one of the clearest-headed and most practical that has come under observation in all our writings. Our old friend of long ago, Bro. Pierson, has a most admirable successor in the duties of grand secretary.

The report on appeals and grievances, and also the report on jurisprudence, are papers showing much thought and masonic learning. Their conclusions are certainly very clear-headed.

Nine pages are devoted to an oration delivered by the grand orator. A well prepared paper.

The report on correspondence was prepared by Bro. W. M. Shaver, another new member of the guild. It is a well written paper. Under the head of Minnesota is found the following:

M. W. Alonzo Brandenburg, of Fergus Falls, grand master, reported his official acts in a wholesome, sensible address, covering seventeen pages of the proceedings.

R. W. Thomas Montgomery, grand secretary, presented his twelfth annual report, an interesting document.

Bro. Irving Todd, chairman, presents an interesting review for the committee, in which Kansas for 1890 receives consideration in a condensed statement of its transactions without adverse criticism.

M. W. Gideon Sprague Ives, St. Peter, Grand Master; R. W. Thomas Montgomery, St. Paul, Grand Secretary. This will undoubtedly prove an "apostolic dispensation."

M. W. T. E. Dewey, Abilene, Grand Master; R. W. A. K. Wilson, Topeka, Grand Secretary; Bro. W. M. Shaver, Topeka, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

#### KENTUCKY, 1902.

The one hundred and second annual communication was held at Louisville, Oct. 21st, 22d, and 23d, M. W. Harry Bailey, Grand Master. Four hundred and sixty-five lodges represented; four hundred and sixty-seven on the roll. Nineteen past grand masters present.

Seven dispensations for new lodges; two charters arrested. Membership twenty-one thousand, eight hundred, and nineteen; gain eleven hundred and nineteen. Receipts \$15,845.55.

The address stated that the breach between the grand lodge and the home board had been healed, the latter taking \$150,000 of the bonds issued to build the temple, then nearing completion; the regulation requiring the presentation of a gavel to each retiring grand master was changed to jewel; the reports of the old masons' home showed seven inmates, supported by the proceeds of the dairy farm; the granting of dispensations for other than masonic purposes was disapproved; the invitation from the Grand Lodge Alpina was not accepted;

ren, and it is contrary to the spirit of the institution to grant special privileges or exempt from common duties.

M. W. W. S. Gardner, Clinton, Grand Master; R. W. N. R. Parvin, Cedar Rapids, Grand Secretary; Bro. J. E. Morcombe, Cedar Rapids, committee on fraternal correspondence.

### KANSAS, 1902.

The forty-sixth annual communication was held at Ft. Scott, Feb. 19th and 20th, M. W. P. M. Hoisington, Grand Master. Two hundred and sixty-six lodges represented; three hundred and sixty-two on the roll. Eight past grand masters and our representative present.

Three dispensations for new lodges; two charters surrendered; one consolidation. Membership twenty-two thousand, three hundred, and eighty-eight; gain seven hundred and sixty-six. Receipts \$17,685.70.

The portraits are of the grand master, Bro. T. S. Parvin, Bro. J. L. Power, Bro. William McKinley, and seven past grand masters. There is also a group of five deceased grand secretaries in other jurisdictions.

An eloquent oration was delivered by Bro. J. Y. Ewart, grand orator; the report of the home shows fifty-one inmates and maintenance \$7,863; a petition for a new charter in place of one surrendered was granted; four charters were granted to lodges under dispensation; the invitation of the Grand Lodge Alpina to send delegates to a masonic congress was declined; recognition was extended to Western Australia and Costa Rica, the application of Puerto Rico deferred, and that of Valle de Mexico refused; a telegram of sympathy was forwarded to the senior grand deacon, at home sick; an appropriation of \$1,000 was made for indexing and preserving the library, and \$175 for a set of consecration vessels; the per capita tax was raised to \$1, one-half to go to the home; a fee of \$5 was prescribed for all special dispensations; the directors of the home were allowed their necessary expenses for attending the annual communications; and new jewels were ordered for the grand lodge officers.



Five dispensations for new lodges; one consolidation. Membership thirty-one thousand, six hundred, and ninety-three; gain thirteen hundred and sixty-nine. Receipts, \$31,156.68.

In addition to the usual group of elective grand officers there are portraits of Bro. T. S. Parvin, Bro. William McKinley, and the retiring grand master.

An interesting address was delivered by Bro. L. E. Fellows, grand orator, mainly reminiscent and biographical; the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica was recognized, and the invitation of the Grand Lodge Alpina to take part in an international congress declined; an apron was presented to a past grand master; charters were granted to the five lodges under dispensation; the card system of registration was adopted; \$15,000 was appropriated to buy more ground adjoining the library building at Cedar Rapids; amendments to the code were adopted relative to affiliation and non-affiliates; a claim of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin for relief of a member of an Iowa lodge was disallowed, upon the broad ground that masonic charity is purely voluntary; greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Nebraska by telegraph; and an apron was presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on fraternal correspondence was presented by Bro. J. E. Morcombe, a very creditable first effort. Minnesota receives two pages of fraternal review, with the following paragraph pertaining to the writer:

Into ninety-one pages Bro. Todd manages to compress his report on the proceedings of forty-nine grand jurisdictions. \* \* \* Iowa gets two pages of excellent condensation.

Under the head of South Carolina he says:

It is recommended that ministers of the gospel should receive the degrees without cost, and should also be exempt from annual dues. With this view grand lodge coincided, and the code was amended with this end in view. The leavening influence of godly men may be so badly needed in South Carolina that it is wise to take in ministers as a privileged class. But in our poor judgment, as masons (and only thus can they be considered) they are no better than other breth-

dropped, there being a majority of one hundred and twenty-three lodges against the proposition; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. Daniel McDonald presented his annual review of the proceedings of other grand lodges, a very able effort, and his retirement from the committee is greatly regretted. The following paragraphs pertain to Minnesota:

Bro. W. P. Roberts, grand orator, delivered a splendid oration on Our First Degree—Pure, Practical, and Patriotic. We have preserved it for our masonic scrapbook.

The annual review of grand lodge proceedings, ninety-one pages; is by Bro. Irving Todd. He epitomizes in his review the most important actions of the various grand lodge proceedings reviewed, giving to Indiana three pages, mostly devoted to our review of last year, which he designates as "an interesting paper."

Bro. McDonald holds that a man should at least be able to write his own name before becoming a member of the fraternity; that it does not pay a lodge to spend much time or money in providing books which are never read; that the word order is too vague to apply to an organization as extensive as the world itself; that the test oath should be taken before the examination of a visitor; that the second section of the master's degree should never be communicated; that funeral expenses are not a legitimate charge for reimbursement; and that the private grand honors should never be given in public.

M. W. J. W. Dunbar, New Albany, Grand Master; R. W. C. W. Prather, Indianapolis, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. S. S. Johnson, Jeffersonville, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### IOWA, 1902.

The fifty-ninth annual communication was held at Du-buque, June 3d, 4th, and 5th, M. W. L. J. Baker, Grand Master. Four hundred and fifty-two lodges represented; five hundred on the roll. Eight past grand masters present.

M.: W.: G. W. Moulton, Chicago, Grand Master, and R.: W.: J. H. C. Dill, Bloomington, Grand Secretary, were reelected; Bro. Joseph Robbins, Quincy, committee on correspondence.

### INDIANA, 1902.

The eighty-first annual meeting was held at Indianapolis, May 27th and 28th, M.: W.: O. W. Brownback, Grand Master. Five hundred and two lodges represented; five hundred and three on the roll. Fourteen past grand masters present; our representative in the grand east.

Eight dispensations for new lodges; one consolidation. Membership thirty-five thousand, one hundred, and seven; gain fifteen hundred and three. Receipts \$19,037.70.

The deaths of Bro. Mortimer Nye and Bro. B. S. Sutton, past grand masters, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and the deceased past grand masters.

The grand master decided that it was not proper to serve wines and other liquors at a lodge banquet; that officers must be installed in open lodge at a regular or called meeting; that a brother cannot be excused from payment of dues on account of long membership; and that a wholesale remission of dues cannot be made by resolution.

Charters were granted to the eight lodges under dispensation; the request of a lodge to take the number of a defunct lodge was not granted, a reversal of last year's precedent; a special committee recommended that lodges select trustees to manage their business affairs, and that the large lodges should incorporate; the special committee on ritual submitted a report, which was not adopted; recognition was extended to the grand lodges of Costa Rica, Cuba, Valle de Mexico, Western Australia, and Porto Rico; the action of the grand master in declining to appoint delegates to the universal congress in Switzerland was approved; failure to attend grand lodge three years was declared a forfeiture of the grand representative's commission; the report of the committee on code was laid over until next year; the matter of establishing a home was

having disapproved of several of his decisions, the grand master took the floor and fought it out section by section, winning four times and losing three; the contributions to charity were given at \$37,579.55; the property of the orphans' home and the home for the aged were transferred to the grand lodge; the per capita tax was raised to ninety cents, thirty-five going to the home; the regulations were amended so that the by-laws of a new lodge must be approved by the grand master before adoption; the special report of the correspondence committee on recognition of foreign grand bodies was again postponed a year; the committee on jurisprudence correctly held that a candidate maimed between the time of election and the time set for initiation could not be made a mason; and the lodges were recommended to observe the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of Bro. George Washington's reception into the fraternity.

A most exhaustive report on correspondence was prepared by Bro. Joseph Robbins, a volume in itself, from which the following paragraphs are reproduced:

The grand orator (W. P. Roberts) delivered an interesting and practical address on Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic, in which he justly lays stress on the importance of the first degree and elaborates through nine profitable pages of print the tenets, the cardinal virtues, and the charge.

The report on correspondence (ninety-one pages) is as usual by Bro. Irving Todd, whose power of condensation is the despair of the guild. He can thus compress his work on the proceedings of fifty-seven grand lodges and still have it a review, not simply a grand lodge directory. Illinois for 1901 gets adequate notice. The lodge contribution to charity, reported at \$43,969, he characterizes as a noble record. He is honest and frank enough to say that our report is not up to the usual standard, but he charitably attributes this to change of residence and the breaking up of fixed habits. He must have some-time had experience.

The proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota at the tenth annual reunion constitute a very attractive feature of the Minnesota volume. \* \* \* The feature of the proceedings is, of course, the address of the president, G. R. Metcalf, devoted largely to the necrology of the year. The association has an annual feast, but it has never been a merely social organization; it has become the historian of Minnesota masonry, as well as of Minnesota masons.

The proposed constitutional amendments of last year, making past grand treasurers and secretaries permanent members with one vote collectively, failed to secure a two-thirds vote of the lodges, and were not adopted.

The following were among the approved decisions:

4. A lodge shall not transact any business involving final action by vote of the lodge at any communication after the work of conferring degrees has begun.

5. The conferring of more than seven degrees by any lodge during any one day is prohibited.

6. A lodge may only be called from labor to refreshment for a specified time during any one day.

The following experience with Pennsylvania masonry is related in the address:

A brother in good standing of this jurisdiction died while sojourning in Lancaster, Pa. It was the wish of the family that he be buried with the funeral honors of our fraternity. His lodge requested the lodge at Lancaster to accord this fraternal courtesy, to which reply was received that the request must come through the grand masters of the respective jurisdictions. Naturally before this could be accomplished the brother's remains were disposed of without being accorded the funeral rites, which, as the member of what is claimed to be a universal brotherhood, he departed this life believing he was possessed of.

The letter of the Grand Master of Illinois to the Grand Master of Pennsylvania, with which the incident closed, is pungent enough to awaken sensibility in an Egyptian mummy.

The contributions to the McKinley Memorial Fund were stated at \$1,325.50; the special committee on the Miller bequest recommended an appropriation of \$25,000 for the first building of the home, and their report was adopted; six charters were granted to lodges under dispensation; an appropriation of \$1,000 was made to the fraternal building at the St. Louis exposition; an able oration was delivered by Bro. Richard Yates, grand orator, publication being deferred owing to his serious illness; Bro. Louis Zeigler, of Washington, received a most fraternal welcome in the grand lodge of which he was senior warden in 1878; the committee on jurisprudence



The grand master's good looking face looks out from the frontispiece.

The grand master's address is different from others in some particulars. It takes just nine lines to bring him to decisions, where frequently it takes as many pages.

The oration delivered by W. P. Roberts, grand orator, is a compact, orthodox paper.

The report of the committee on foreign correspondence was written by Bro. Irving Todd. We have seen elsewhere that "Bro. Todd understands the art of condensation." We wish to emphatically endorse the above statement. In fact, Bro. Todd has given a resume of the full proceedings in a single paragraph. Two full pages are given to Idaho, and when that is finished there is nothing more to be said.

The tenth annual report of the Masonic Veteran Association, held at St. Paul, Jan. 21st, 1902, is full of interest, but space forbids details.

M.: W.: D. F. Mason, Cœur d'Alene, Grand Master; R.: W.: T. W. Randall, Boise, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. G. E. Knepper, Lewiston, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### ILLINOIS, 1902.

The sixty-third annual communication was held at Chicago, Oct. 7th, 8th, and 9th, M.: W.: G. M. Moulton, Grand Master. Seven hundred and eight lodges represented; seven hundred and twenty-four on the roll. Nine past grand masters and our representative present.

Eight dispensations for new lodges; one charter arrested; two consolidations. Membership sixty-three thousand and thirty-four; gain three thousand, three hundred, and eleven. Receipts \$40,895.76.

The portraits are of three past grand masters.

In reporting the lodges under dispensation the address says of St. Cecilia:

This lodge \* \* \* is unique among the lodges of this jurisdiction in that its membership, being composed of artists, musicians, actors, and other professions which debar them from attendance upon evening sessions of a lodge, hold their meetings in the afternoon, it being the second lodge thus organized, as I am credibly informed, in this country.

Bro. A. Q. Moody submitted another well prepared report on foreign correspondence. In the review of Minnesota are found the following:

A well executed engraving of G. S. Ives, grand master, 1901, furnishes the frontispiece of a neat pamphlet containing the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

The address of grand orator, Bro. W. P. Roberts, is highly instructive.

Bro. Irving Todd makes a condensed but carefully worded report, in which he briefly refers to all important matters pertaining to the various jurisdictions. An epitome of Georgia affairs is given.

The proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association make interesting reading.

M. W. Max Meyerhardt, Rome, Grand Master, and R. W. A. Wolihin, Macon, Grand Secretary, were reelected; Bro. A. Q. Moody, Boston, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### IDAHO, 1902.

The thirty-fifth annual communication was held at Boise, Sept. 9th, 10th, and 11th, M. W. D. C. Chase, Grand Master. Twenty-five lodges represented; twenty-nine on the roll. Six past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership fifteen hundred and thirty-two; gain one hundred and twenty-two. Receipts \$7,827.87.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

A charter for a new lodge was granted upon petition; a fine of \$10 was imposed upon lodges not having their returns in before Sept. 1st; charters were granted to the three lodges under dispensation; the per capita tax was reduced to thirty cents; a reception and banquet was tendered by the local brethren; and the signet ring was transferred to the incoming grand master.

Bro. G. E. Knepper presented his first report on foreign correspondence, a very creditable effort. Minnesota is touched up as follows:

Five dispensations for new lodges; three charters surrendered, and one arrested. Membership twenty-one thousand, one hundred, and thirty-eight; gain two hundred and ninety-four. Receipts \$22,376.50.

The portraits are of the grand master and grand secretary.

A peculiar feature in this jurisdiction is the large number of dispensations to confer degrees out of time and the unwieldiness of the standing committees. Why it should require forty-eight brethren to distribute the grand master's address or forty-five to report on credentials passeth all understanding. If they all meet during the sessions as we do in Minnesota there would not be enough left in the grand lodge to form a respectable caucus.

The three Mexican grand lodges were again reported upon by a special committee, although they were recognized last year; an entertainment of songs and recitations was given by children from the industrial home, followed by a collection of \$196.75 and an appropriation of \$303.25; a resolution of esteem was voted to Bro. J. M. Mobley, past grand master, detained at home; the report of the committee on revision of the constitution was adopted without reading, and all former compilations, decisions, or edicts declared of no force or effect; subordinate lodges were authorized to sublet their halls to other secret societies; a resolution of sympathy was tendered to Bro. J. D. Harrell, deputy grand master and our representative, who declined further service on account of ill health; the trustees of the masonic home reported progress; six charters were granted, one charter restored, and one dispensation continued; eighty members were expelled for non-payment of dues, forty for unmasonic conduct, and seventeen were restored; the request of a lodge for remission of dues, having lost its hall by fire in 1895, was not granted; an amendment to the liquor legislation, to apply to those already in the business, was indefinitely postponed; concurrent jurisdiction with border states was authorized if by mutual consent; and an appropriation of \$500 was made for a monument to Bro. J. P. Shannon, past grand master.

the world, asking their interference in the Florida prohibition legislation, but that he ran against a snag in Missouri; that five of the six decisions were upon the liquor traffic; and recommended that lodges should make their halls more attractive in order to win back the worthy non-affiliates.

The trustees reported the redemption of \$14,500 of their temple bonds, with \$4,800 still outstanding; a special committee was appointed to consider the question of a masonic home; the corner stone of a Presbyterian church was laid the second day; a free will offering of \$38.40 was made to a needy brother; an oration was delivered by Bro. H. S. Yerger, grand orator; charters were granted the two lodges under dispensation; the relief committee reported contributions for their fire sufferers of \$20,964.74, with an unexpended balance of \$6,514.63; the past master's degree was conferred upon forty brethren; an appropriation of \$25 was made towards the education of the minor son of a disabled brother; and the Grand lodge of Costa Rica was recognized.

A report on foreign correspondence was submitted by Bro. S. B. Wright, the first since the death of Bro. D. C. Dawkins, ten years ago. The following brief paragraphs pertain to Minnesota:

The grand master's address was of the usual order.

The grand secretary's report is an excellent one, and gives a comprehensive statement of his doings. He spent nearly six months of the year compiling and codifying the laws.

The correspondence report is by Bro. Irving Todd. Florida receives mention.

M. W. James Carnell, Ormond, Grand Master, and R. W. W. P. Webster, Jacksonville, Grand Secretary, were reëlected; Bro. S. B. Wright, DeLand, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### GEORGIA, 1902.

The one hundred and sixteenth annual communication was held at Macon, Oct. 28th, 29th, and 30th, M. W. Max Meyerhardt, Grand Master. Four hundred and thirty-three lodges represented; four hundred and forty-one on the roll. Two past grand masters and our representative present.

changed with the Grand Lodge of Virginia; an appropriation of \$250 was made to the Singleton monument fund; amendments to the constitution were adopted giving each past grand master and each lodge representative a separate vote, and increasing the salary of the grand secretary to \$1,200; an expression of sympathy was extended to a past grand master, detained at home by a painful accident; resolutions in memory of the late Bro. T. A. McCammon, their representative near the Grand Lodge of Ireland, were adopted; and special committees were appointed on revision of constitution, card registration, and grand lodge jewels.

At the installation communication a revised list of grand representatives was reported, and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was again presented by Bro. G. W. Baird, an exceedingly well written summary of the proceedings of sixty-two grand lodges. The following compliment is found under the head of Minnesota:

Bro. Todd gives our proceedings a page of friendly review, and mentions, kindly, our dear Bro. Singleton. "It was Bro. Singleton's thirtieth and last review," but his methods will live for decades.

M. W. Malcolm Seaton, Grand Master; R. W. A. W. Johnston, Grand Secretary; Bro. G. W. Baird, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence; all of Washington.

#### FLORIDA, 1902.

The seventy-third annual communication was held at Jacksonville, Jan. 21st, 22d, and 23d, M. W. James Carnell, Grand Master. One hundred and thirty-two lodges represented; one hundred and forty-two on the roll. Eight past grand masters present, our representative included.

Two dispensations for new lodges; three charters surrendered. Membership four thousand, six hundred, and twenty-three; gain one hundred and sixty-three. Receipts \$7,524.90.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The grand master announced the resumption of fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Washington; that one of their past masters had issued a circular to the grand lodges of



M. W. H. J. Guthrie, Grand Master; R. W. B. F. Bartram, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. L. H. Jackson, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence; all of Wilmington.

#### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1901.

A special communication was held Feb. 25th to attend the funeral of Bro. W. R. Singleton, grand secretary, whose death occurred two days previous at the ripe age of eighty-three years. He was a profound masonic scholar, and one of the best informed craftsmen in this country. The loss to the fraternity is an irreparable one.

At the semi-annual communication an appropriation of \$250 was made to the Jacksonville sufferers; a charter was granted to a new lodge very appropriately named after their late grand secretary; the request of the Grand Lodge Alpina to join in establishing a permanent international office was denied; formal resolutions were adopted accepting the lamb-skin from the Grand Lodge of Virginia, noted last year; three trustees were appointed to hold all grand lodge securities; the proposed masonic fair to raise funds for a temple site was heartily commended; and a committee was appointed to erect a monument to Bro. W. R. Singleton.

A number of special communications were held during the year to exemplify the work, to constitute the new lodge, to lay the corner stone of the Ruppert Home, to attend the funeral of Bro. E. H. Chamberlin, past grand master, to dedicate the statue of Bro. Albert Pike, and to hold memorial services for the late grand secretary.

The annual communication was held at Washington, Dec. 4th M. W. Harry Standiford, Grand Master. The twenty-six lodges all represented. Eleven past grand masters and our representative present.

Membership six thousand, two hundred, and fifty-seven; gain three hundred and sixty-nine. Receipts \$6,819.50.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

An exchange of representatives was authorized with the Grand Lodge of Washington; fraternal greetings were ex-

voluntary contributions practically places the burden on a few; that if a mason dimitts from his lodge he should not flaunt the fuss and feathers of the commandery or shrine; that masonic clothing should only be used when there is masonic work of some kind to be performed; that good cause should be shown before an election is declared void; that the use of robes and the stereopticon add to the impressiveness of the work; and that, under present regulations, the presence of the charter is a lawful requirement.

M.: W.: A. C. Wheeler, Norwalk, Grand Master; R.: W.: J. H. Barlow, Hartford, reëlected Grand Secretary and continued as committee on correspondence.

#### DELAWARE, 1902.

The ninety-sixth annual communication was held at Wilmington, Oct. 1st and 2d, M.: W.: G. M. Jones, Grand Master. Twenty-one lodges on the roll. Eight past grand masters and our representative present.

Membership two thousand, four hundred, and thirty-three; gain sixty-nine. Receipts, \$1,523.60.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

A number of distinguished visitors were present from adjoining jurisdictions; a communication of sympathy was extended to Bro. Daniel McClintock, past grand master, absent from the infirmities due to old age; the death of Bro. T. N. Williams, past grand master, announced last year, was reported a mistake; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. L. H. Jackson presented another of his well digested reports on foreign correspondence, with the following allusions to Minnesota:

A beautiful and very practical oration on Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic, was delivered before the grand lodge by Bro. W. P. Roberts, grand orator.

A well prepared and comprehensive report on correspondence was presented by Bro. Irving Todd. It includes a good review of Delaware for 1901, dealing with chief items of interest. We thank him for his kind and liberal notice of our jurisdiction.

## CONNECTICUT, 1902.

The one hundred and fourteenth annual communication was held at Hartford, Jan. 15th and 16th, M. W. F. S. Stevens, Grand Master. The one hundred and ten lodges all represented. Twelve past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership seventeen thousand, seven hundred, and thirty; gain three hundred and thirty-three. Receipts \$13,423.50.

The portraits are of the grand master, grand secretary, a past grand master, and three deceased brethren.

The following paragraph is taken from the grand master's address:

I have the pleasure of informing you that harmony among the craft has prevailed to such an extent that no decisions have been called for.

The action of the grand master in sending \$200 to the Jacksonville sufferers was approved; a special committee was appointed to revise the grand lodge regulations; the per capita tax was fixed at \$1, three-quarters to go to the charity fund; and a jewel and apron were presented to the retiring grand master.

The reports of the home show fifty-five inmates; expenses \$5,538.79.

The grand secretary prepared his accustomed report on fraternal correspondence, a paper of great interest to the reading mason. Minnesota is complimented as follows:

The grand orator, Bro. D. T. Calhoun, delivered a learned oration upon the Universality of Masonry; we cannot do it justice by extracts; it is worthy of careful study and thought as a whole.

The report on correspondence is, as usual, by Bro. Irving Todd, and is able and interesting.

Bro. Barlow believes that the prerogative of the grand master to make masons at sight should only be exercised when necessity requires it; that an attempt to support a home by

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

The grand master reported that a lobster smoker, given by the Shriners at Denver, had created a local scandal, and his circular letter relative thereto was approved.

An amendment to the by-laws prohibiting smoking in the lodge rooms was laid over until next year; an interesting address was delivered by Bro. F. G. Mirick, grand orator; one charter was granted, and one dispensation continued; the grand lodges of Western Australia and Egypt were recognized, and that of Costa Rica deferred; the Grand Master of Wyoming was welcomed as a visitor; the number of degrees to be conferred in one day was limited to five; the proposed register upon the card system was referred to a special committee, to report next year; an amendment to the regulations was adopted requiring the apron to be worn over the outer garment in public processions only; no action was taken upon the proposition to contribute towards the fraternal building at the St. Louis Exposition; a committee of past grand masters was appointed to visit Bro. H. P. H. Bromwell, past grand master, and convey their fraternal regards; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on correspondence was prepared by Bro. L. N. Greenleaf in his accustomed concise and exhaustive style, from which the following quotations are taken:

The grand orator, Bro. W. P. Roberts, delivered a very able and instructive oration, his subject being Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic.

Bro. Irving Todd is the writer of the report on correspondence as usual, and that is a guarantee of its excellent quality. Colorado for 1900 and 1901 are fraternally reviewed; and the salient features of each are concisely narrated.

M. W. M. H. Dean, Glenwood Springs, Grand Master; R. W. W. D. Todd, Denver, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. L. N. Greenleaf, Denver, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

The Grand Lodge of Michigan had a large representation of its grand officers; the general fund was reported at \$102,912.94, and the expenditures for benevolence at \$11,565; a fraternal message was forwarded to the King of England, and another to Bro. J. J. Mason, grand secretary, absent through illness; six warrants were granted, three dispensations continued, and a new one issued; the application of a private lodge to wear gold jewels was denied; the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica was recognized, and the rank of past grand master was conferred on the Grand Master of England, the notice and acceptance being by cable.

The grand master was empowered to withdraw the warrant of Royal Solomon Mother Lodge No. 293 at Jerusalem, Palestine, for grave irregularities. This lodge, warranted in 1873, was one of the erratic schemes of Bro. Rob. Morris, of Kentucky, with which his latter days were so plentifully clouded. There were twenty charter members, all non-residents, and it was hinted at the time that some of the names were probably used without authority. The whole procedure was so grossly unmasonic that one can scarcely realize that it has taken thirty years to right the wrong done the fraternity.

The accustomed brief report on foreign correspondence was submitted by Bro. Henry Robertson, Minnesota being summed up in less than a page. It is largely composed of extracts culled by the hand of a master.

M. W. J. E. Harding, Lindsay, Grand Master; M. W. J. J. Mason, Hamilton, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. Henry Robertson, Collingwood, committee on foreign correspondence.

#### COLORADO, 1902.

The forty-second annual communication was held at Denver, Sept. 16th and 17th, M. W. G. D. Kennedy, Grand Master. Ninety-seven lodges represented; one hundred on the roll. Eighteen past grand masters present, our representative heading the list.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership nine thousand, four hundred, and thirty-two; gain five hundred and thirty-seven. Receipts \$9,706.85.



adopted permitting the transfer of membership without becoming non-affiliated; a suitable testimonial was voted to Bro. S. D. Mayer, grand organist for thirty-three years; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. W. A. Davies submitted his usual carefully prepared report on correspondence, with the following allusions to Minnesota:

The report of Bro. Thomas Montgomery, the efficient and veteran grand secretary, is as usual a full and complete record of the transactions of the year.

The grand orator, Bro. D. T. Calhoun, delivered an oration which was listened to with marked attention.

Bro. G. H. Davis, chairman of the committee on deceased brethren, made a feeling report, which was concurred in and ordered placed on record in the archives of the grand lodge.

And now comes Bro. Irving Todd with his report on correspondence. Bro. Todd reviews California for the administration of Grand Master Angellotti, with whose official acts, address, or advice he finds no fault. He notes with commendation the address of Bro. Carroll Cook, grand orator, and the testimonial to Bro. J. H. Neff, so long chairman of the finance committee.

M. W. W. S. Wells, Martinez, Grand Master; V. W. George Johnson, San Francisco, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. A. Davies, San Francisco, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

#### CANADA, 1902.

The forty-seventh annual communication was held at Windsor, July 16th and 17th, R. W. J. E. Harding, acting Grand Master. Three hundred and one lodges represented; three hundred and sixty-three on the roll. Four past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Membership twenty-eight thousand, four hundred, and twenty-one; gain fourteen hundred and twenty-eight. Receipts \$25,341.45.

The death of Bro. R. B. Hungerford, grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of four past grand masters.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership twenty-two thousand, seven hundred, and seventy-six; gain eleven hundred and ninety-seven. Receipts \$29,262.55.

The following were among the approved decisions:

5. When a candidate is elected to receive the degrees and it transpires that he has wilfully signed an assumed name to his petition, he should be denied initiation.

6. The master of a lodge has the right to refuse a committee to a person applying to visit his lodge if such person cannot furnish receipts for dues or other documentary evidence to show that he is in good standing and is a mason. The master possesses the power of determining who shall visit his lodge or sit therein.

9. A person claiming he was made a mason in Peru, but who is unable to show the fact, may, if he can satisfy the jurisdictional requirements of our law, petition for the degrees, and, if elected, be initiated, passed, and raised in the same manner as though he had never been made a mason.

10. An expenditure from the funds of a lodge for the purchase of dishes, crockery, cutlery, etc., would be classified as for refreshments, and only five per cent of the total revenue of a lodge can be used for such purposes.

12. A lodge does not possess the power to remit the initiation fee of any candidate. The by-laws provide for the fee, and they cannot be set aside without the permission of the grand lodge.

The annual reports of the boards of relief show that San Francisco expended \$11,537.97; Los Angeles, \$4,964.83; Oakland, \$1,182.70; Sacramento, \$846.10; Stockton, \$239.35; and San Diego, \$796.80. Three cases were from Minnesota, at a cost of \$65.24. Bro. John Kiefer, of St. Paul, was buried at Los Angeles.

The reports of the home give eighty-six inmates and \$26,242.35 expenditures, of which \$3,381.35 were for betterments; the action of the grand master in forwarding \$500 to the Jacksonville sufferers was approved; an interesting address was delivered by Bro. J. A. Hosmer, grand orator; charters were granted the two lodges under dispensation; a special committee was appointed to supervise the revision of Anderson's Manual; a per capita tax of eight and one-half cents per month was levied for the home; an appropriation of \$500 was made for "a new set of regalia;" amendments to the constitution were

other irregularities, the dispensation being continued and the lodge placed under the special care of the district deputy; the grand historian reported the collection of considerable material, and the office was made an appointive one, with rank next to the deputy grand masters; the invitation of the Grand Lodge Alpina to join in the formation of an international masonic office was declined; the recommendation of the committee on foreign correspondence, that for the present recognition be not extended to any alleged masonic body in the Republic of Mexico, was adopted; the board of trustees was discharged, its duties being transferred to the grand treasurer; Bro. J. A. Ovas, Grand Secretary of Manitoba, and Bro. Henry Robertson, of Canada, were received with honors; the revised constitution was ordered printed for submission to the lodges; the usual attendance at church services was had, closing with a banquet.

Bro. W. A. De Wolf-Smith submitted his sixth report on foreign correspondence, an interesting paper of over two hundred pages. Under the head of Minnesota we note the following:

The frontispiece to the volume is a handsome portrait of M. W. Bro. G. S. Ives, whose able address fills only ten pages of the proceedings. Without any preliminary flourishes he begins by detailing the decisions rendered during the year.

Bro. Irving Todd presented another of his admirable reviews, in which he has condensed the news of the masonic world into less than one hundred pages. \* \* \* British Columbia for 1901 is fraternally reviewed.

M. W. E. E. Chipman, Kaslo, Grand Master; V. W. R. E. Brett, Victoria, Grand Secretary; Bro. W. A. De Wolf-Smith, New Westminster, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### CALIFORNIA, 1901.

The fifty-second annual communication was held at San Francisco, Oct. 8th to 12th, M. W. J. A. Foshay, Grand Master. Two hundred and sixty lodges represented; two hundred and sixty-nine on the roll. Twelve past grand masters present; our representative absent.

we do not admire or enjoy this style of report. There is nothing about it that is interesting. It is a continuous string of data, somewhat like an index, only not alphabetically arranged. We cannot imagine the least enjoyment to be derived from perusing it, and it would tire both reader and hearer if much of it was read aloud to a lodge. Bro. Todd has well earned the hundred dollars appropriated for the work, and has probably done as the grand lodge desired. It is no holiday employment that he has been busy upon for a couple of months or more, but now and then he has left the clerical routine for a moment and has made a few remarks which cheer up the page upon which they appear. Under Alabama he utters a stricture that is well applied, for the tendency to pad out annual addresses by the insertion of trivial and even foolish discussions, and sometimes of verbose platitudes, is much greater than it should be. \* \* \* Dear Bro. Todd, put a little more seasoning into your mince meat.

M. W. J. J. Sweeney, Phoenix, Grand Master; V. W. G. J. Roskrue, Tucson, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. C. D. Belden, Phoenix, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1902.

The thirty-first annual communication was held at Victoria, June 19th and 20th, M. W. F. McB. Young, Grand Master. Twenty-seven lodges represented; thirty-two on the roll. Six grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership two thousand, three hundred, and fifty-five; gain three hundred and seventy-seven. Receipts \$3,718.50.

The grand master reported that he had refused dispensations to confer degrees on Sunday, to sublet hall to other societies, and to carry on work until duplicate charter was issued and in the hands of the master. The reason for the latter is not apparent. Among those granted was one to wear regalia in public at a ball, a practice so common among our Canadian brethren as to seemingly preclude the necessity of requiring special permission.

The mayor, aldermen, and water commissioners were received with standing honors, followed by a railway excursion to the water works; a charter was refused the lodge under dispensation for initiating a candidate minus his right thumb, and

## ARIZONA, 1901.

The twentieth annual communication was held at Prescott, Nov. 12th, 13th and 14th, M. W. George Montague, Grand Master. Thirteen lodges represented; fifteen on the roll. Eight past grand masters present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership nine hundred and thirty-nine; gain one hundred and eleven. Receipts \$1,379.20.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

Bro. C. D. Belden delivered his fifth annual oration, and was reappointed; the Grand Lodge of New Zealand was recognized; recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was postponed; charters were granted the two lodges under dispensation; a reception was given at the Opera House by the local brethren; the California work adopted in 1886 was declared the standard work, the revision not being accepted; the masters of the several lodges were appointed as a committee on dissemination of the ritual; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

A somewhat lengthy report on correspondence was prepared by Bro. C. D. Belden, the first since 1889. Of Minnesota he says:

An oration was delivered by Bro. D. T. Calhoun, grand orator, which is elaborate and deeply thoughtful, upon the general theme of the scope of masonry. It is too consecutive an argument to quote from, but his peroration is beautiful, and, as an abstract deduction from his previous thought, we give it.

The correspondence report is by W. Bro. Irving Todd. He is spoken of quite frequently as "the great condenser." There are two indications of a great effort in this direction in this paper. In the first place he attempts to put the whole report in one sentence by placing a colon after the word proceedings, and thus makes the rest of the other eighty-four pages a subordinate part of that, the initial, sentence. And he evidently did better condensing work than he intended, for there are four blank pages left immediately beyond his signature. The whole story of Arizona's proceedings for 1899 is told in seventeen lines, and five of them are only half full. We guess he told the truth, and nothing but the truth. It wasn't his business to put in all the frills and embellishments, including the steel plate signature which G. J. Roskrige adorns our volume with. We are free to admit that



the use of the temple granted to the grand chapter for its annual meetings.

Bro. W. Y. Titcomb submitted his fourth report on foreign correspondence, with the following fraternal allusions to Minnesota:

The grand master's four decisions submitted we take to be good masonic law.

From the report of the committee on appropriations, which was adopted, it manifestly appears that our Minnesota brethren do not let their widows and orphans, as well as worthy master masons in need, go uncared for in respect of present help, for, after providing for ordinary expenses, the committee recommended appropriations for fifteen widows and twelve brethren in want, aggregating \$3,435.

The grand orator delivered a thoughtful and instructive oration on the fundamental principles, the universality of masonry.

The Masonic Veteran Association held its ninth annual reunion Jan. 22d, 1901. Its membership, Jan. 1st, 1901, was three hundred and thirty-nine. These reunions are, no doubt, very enjoyable.

Bro. Irving Todd, chairman of the foreign correspondence committee, presented, within the compass of eighty-five pages, a review of the proceedings of all the grand lodges passing under his notice, including Alabama, 1899. Bro. Todd does not waste words, but furnishes much valuable reading matter in small space. He, too, as well as Bro. Jackson, of Delaware, and Bro. Davies, of California, possesses that enviable power of selection denied to some of us. His notice of Alabama is courteous and fraternal. We had accused him of, seemingly, making a spiteful fling or two at our jurisdiction, as, for instance, saying that our "code contained about as much poor law as the office of a frontier justice of the peace, when court is in actual session," but Bro. Todd disavows any purpose of being spiteful toward this or any other grand lodge, and we take pleasure in acquitting him of the charge. He will please accept thanks for kind reference to our own report.

M. W. R. M. Cunningham, Ensley, reëlected Grand Master; R. W. G. A. Beauchamp, Montgomery, Grand Secretary; Bro. W. Y. Titcomb, Anniston, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

18. A candidate for the degrees of masonry is not ineligible because he belongs to a labor organization which admits negroes to its membership.

19. An unaffiliated mason cannot go in a masonic procession or visit a lodge except by the courtesy of the lodge in charge of the procession or which the brother visits.

29. None but ministers actively engaged in the ministry may secure the degrees without the fees.

32. A past master, who is a dimitted mason from a subordinate lodge of this grand jurisdiction, may confer degrees if requested by the master of the lodge.

70. A brother who has been reinstated by the grand lodge to the rights and privileges of masonry is thereby restored to membership in the subordinate lodge from which he was suspended or expelled.

80. The fact of disfranchisement by being convicted for crime does not make a candidate ineligible for the degree of masonry. The lodge must decide for itself the advisability of receiving the candidate.

91. There is no masonic law prohibiting the master of a lodge from selling whisky in a dispensary. The lodge may make such conduct unmasonic by its by-laws.

No. 32 was properly turned down by the jurisprudence committee, who asked a year to consider No. 70. It ought not to have taken over five minutes.

Our Alabama brethren have little reason to complain of adverse criticism under the circumstances.

The action of the grand master in resuming fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Washington was approved; the proposition of the Grand Lodge Alpina to join in the establishment of an international masonic office was respectfully declined; the salary of the grand secretary was reduced to \$1,500; a constitutional amendment was ordered submitted to the lodges providing for a per capita tax of \$1 per annum to establish and maintain a masonic home, and another recognizing the eligibility of candidates with artificial limbs; memorial addresses were delivered in honor of the deceased grand officers; four charters were granted and four dispensations continued; the jurisprudence committee reported adversely upon proposed prohibition legislation; a special committee was appointed to revise their code, which certainly needs it; the sixty decisions of last year were approved, with two exceptions; and the order of the Eastern Star was heartily indorsed and

## APPENDIX K.

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*To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Minnesota:*

Your committee on foreign correspondence has received and examined the following grand lodge proceedings:

ALABAMA, 1901.

The eighty-first annual communication was held at Montgomery, Dec. 3d and 4th, M. W. R. M. Cunningham, Grand Master. Two hundred and eighty-eight lodges represented; three hundred and eighty-nine on the roll. Three past grand masters present.

Twelve dispensations for new lodges; one lodge reorganized; one consolidation. Membership twelve thousand, seven hundred, and eighty-eight; gain six hundred and seventy-eight. Ministers of the gospel, eight hundred and seventy-eight; gain fifty-five. Receipts \$7,215.50.

The deaths of Bro. F. L. Pettus, past grand master, and Bro. J. M. Brundidge, grand lecturer, were announced.

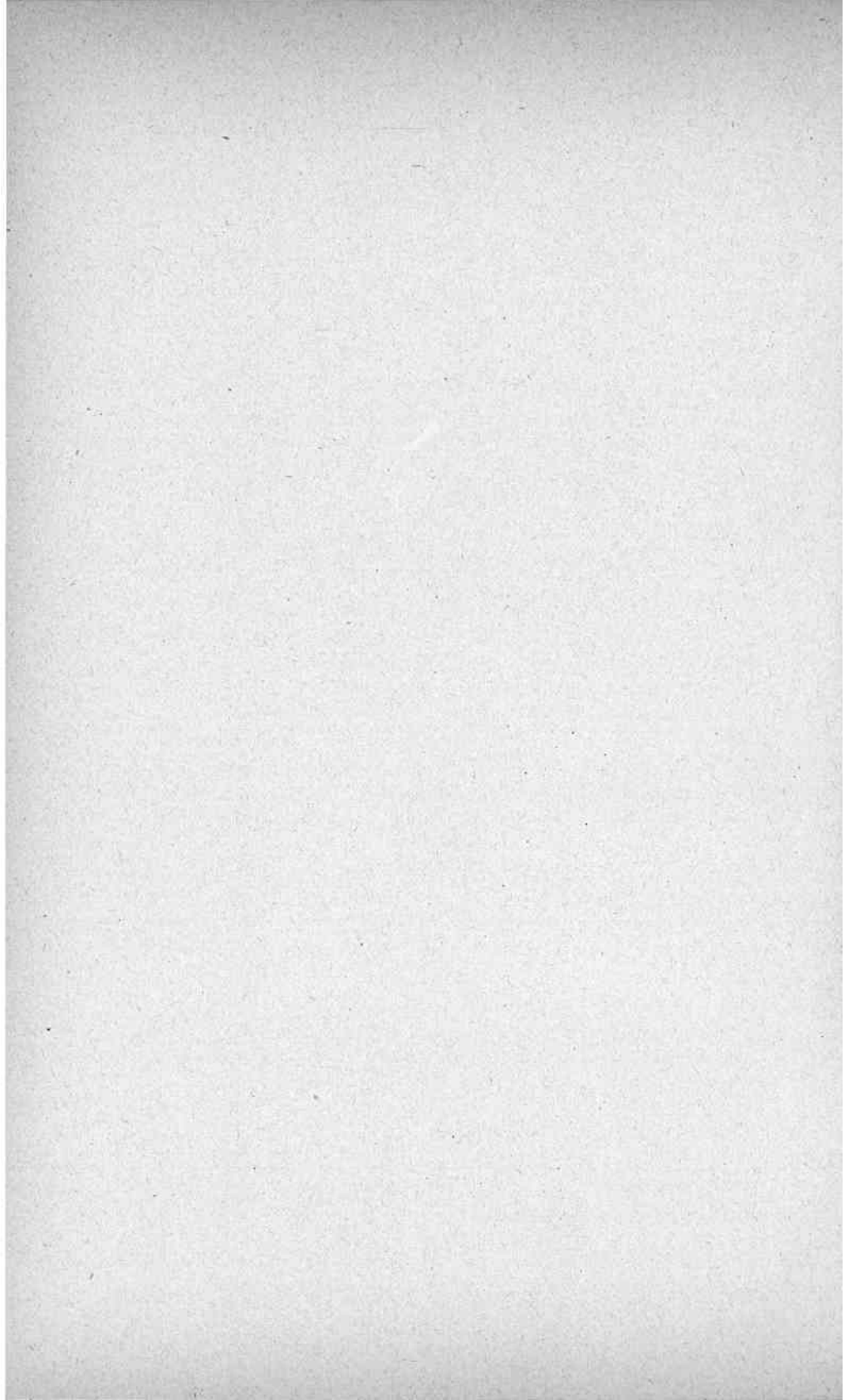
The portraits are of three grand officers whose deaths occurred during the year.

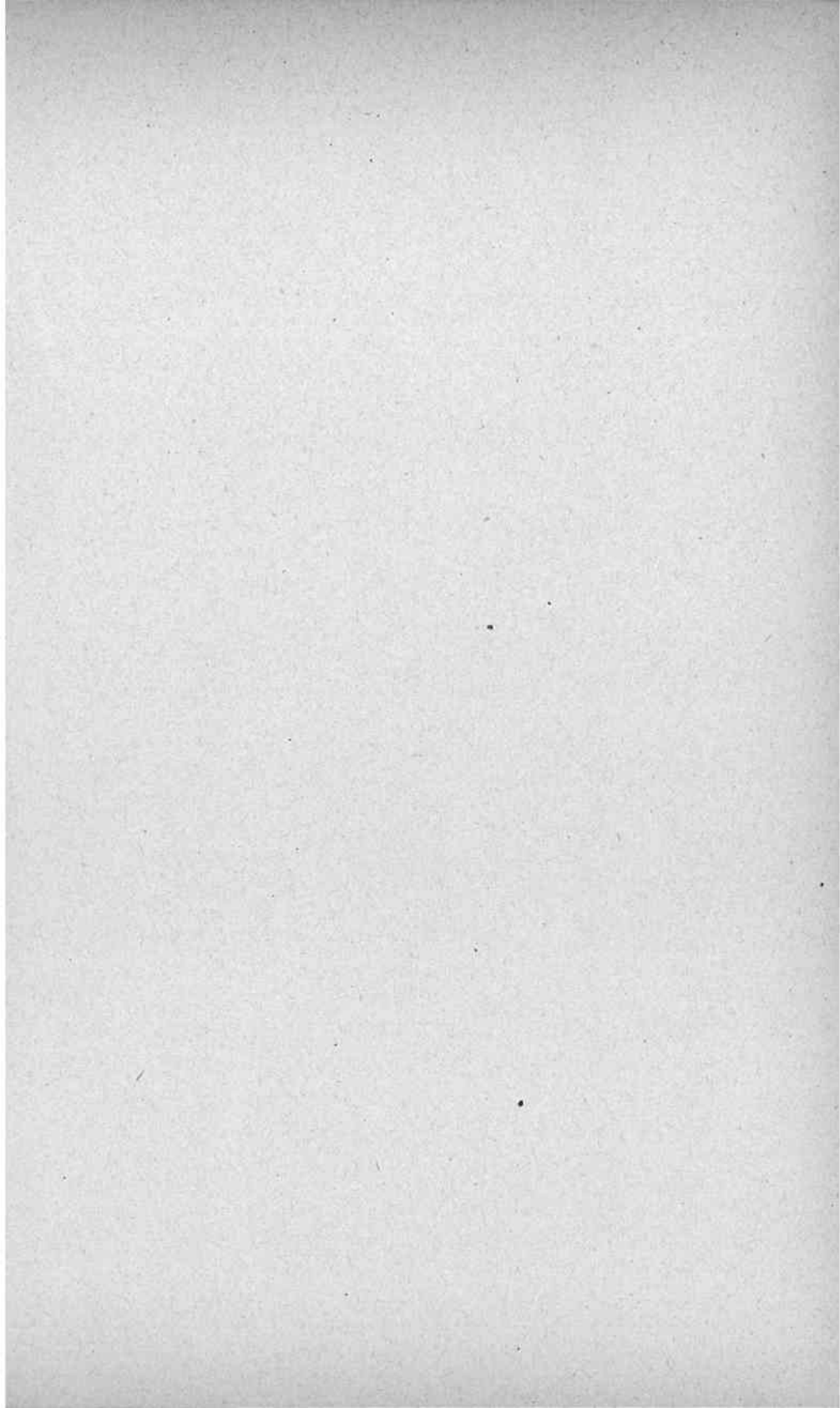
Ninety-one decisions were reported, many of which the grand master says are but repetitions of existing masonic law. Then the reiteration was entirely unnecessary. The following are samples of the job lot:

2. A mason has no right to assault a brother mason because he fails to get satisfaction through a masonic trial.

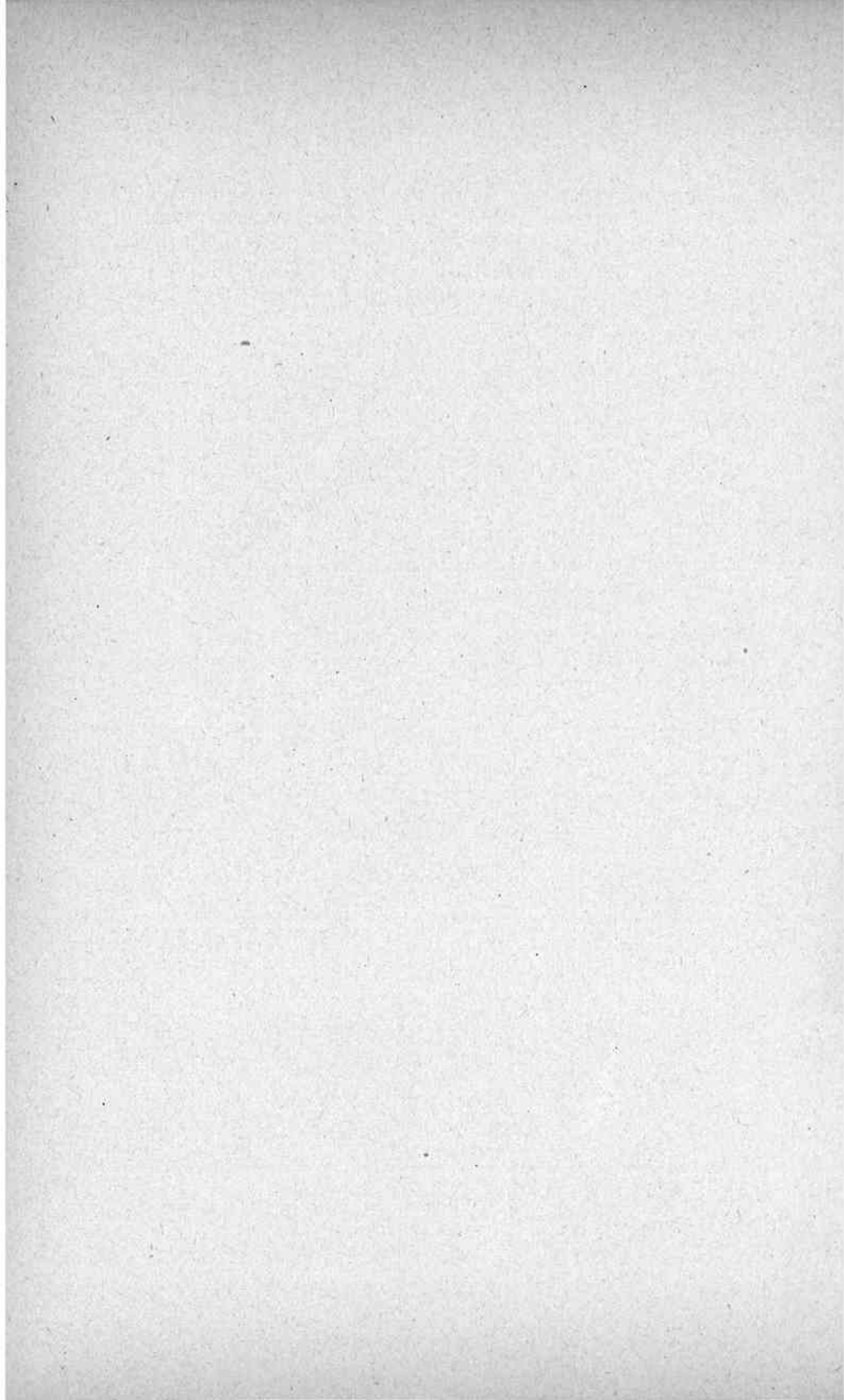
6. Any member of a lodge, including the master, has the right to demand a new ballot without giving any reason therefor.

10. A candidate for degrees of masonry who can not read and write is not ineligible for that reason. If he cannot read and write the petition may be read to him, and he may make his mark, which act must be properly attested by at least one witness.









On the obverse was THE SEAL OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MINNESOTA, on the reverse, 1853—COMMEMORATING THE SEMI-CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY—1903. At the close of the formal exercises bronze replicas were distributed to every member and representative of the Grand Lodge.



Doxology—Tune "Old Hundred".....Orchestra and Vocal

Be thou, O God, exalted high  
And as thy Glory fills the sky  
So let it be on earth displayed  
Till thou art, here, as there obeyed.

Benediction.....W.'. Grand Chaplain

Bless, O Lord, our endeavors and our consultation. Lift up the light of Thy countenance and shed upon us and our loved ones the everlasting mercies of Thy kingdom. May Thy peace which passeth all human understanding, keep our hearts and minds in Thy knowledge and Thy love, and may the Blessing of God Almighty, be amongst us, and remain with us Always! AMEN.

*So mote it be!*

laws to restrain and to do away with the evils which threaten the life, happiness and welfare of the people. But laws upon the statute book will not make men better and happier. A man known all over the country as an earnest reformer and laborer in the cause of the people, said not long ago that what the country needs is not so much more law and better law, but a people educated into good citizenship, moral, upright, God-fearing men, who know the right and dare to do it.

Masons should be such men as this, men of integrity, high-minded, public-spirited, above reproach.

"God give us men; a time like this demands  
Strong men, brave hearts, true faith, and willing hands;  
Men whom the greed of money does not kill;  
Men whom the spoils of office cannot buy;  
Men who have honor; men who will not lie;  
Men who can stand before a demagogue  
And damn his treacherous flattering without winking;  
Tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog  
In public duty and in private thinking."

Brethren of the Grand Lodge, I have set forth the fundamental principles of Freemasonry, and have endeavored to indicate in some degree what sort of man a Mason should be. The ideal is not mine. It has not been evolved from my own mind, nor from the study of sermons or theology. Not one word that has been spoken is new to any one of you. Each precept has been sounded in your ears, each profession has been pronounced by your voices, as you have gathered in the lodge room and participated in the work of the craft.

The future of Freemasonry, its power and influence in the world, are dependent upon these. She needs no exertion on the part of her members to increase her numerical strength. Numbers, I fear, are our present and prospective danger. The only effort to increase them should be the practical exemplification of Masonic precepts in our daily lives.

If we view with indifference the first principles of Masonry, if we permit those sublime lessons and truths with which all our symbolism is bright and glorious, to lose their lustre through our carelessness, indifference, or falseness, then the fault will be ours, and ours alone, if the temple shall not bear the test of the plumb line of truth, the square of virtue, and the level of time; if it shall not stand a glorious temple fitted for the indwelling of God's eternal truth.



Music—"America".....Orchestra



The chairman of the Committee on Semi-Centennial Observance presented the Most Worshipful Grand Master a silver medal which had been struck in honor of the occasion.

hood of man. In this conviction he sends out his love and helpfulness to all everywhere who have need of him.

"In faith and hope the world will disagree,  
But all mankind's concern is charity;  
All must be false that thwart this one great end;  
And all of God, that bless mankind, or mend."

The Jewish rabbis had a legend that once upon a time there were two brothers who tilled the same farm. On a certain night, after the gathering of the harvest, one of them said to his wife, "My brother is a lonely man who has neither wife nor children; I will go out and carry some of my sheaves into his field."

It happened that on the same night, the other said, "My brother has wife and children, and needs the harvest more than I; I will carry some of my sheaves into his field."

So the next morning their respective stores were unchanged; and thus it happened night after night, until at length, one moonlight night, the brothers, with their arms full of sheaves, met midway face to face.

Tradition tells us that on that spot the temple was builded, because it was esteemed to be the place where earth was nearest heaven.

The third of these corner stones of our Masonic edifice is our duty to ourselves.

We are charged to avoid all irregularities and intemperance which may impair the mind or body, or debase the dignity of our profession, to be faithful to the trusts reposed in us, to lead just and upright lives marked by honesty and truthfulness.

A Mason should be a man of integrity, a whole man; a man whom you can trust and know that your confidence will not be betrayed; a man whom you can believe and know that he will not lie; a man to whom you can commit your interests and even your honor, and know that they are safe; a brave man, fearing nothing but to lie, or to be dishonest, or to do a wrong; a man who will be true to you, because he is true to himself, to the holy aspirations and the high and noble possibilities which the Supreme Father has implanted in his soul.

"To thine own self be true,  
And it must follow, as the night the day,  
Thou can'st not then be false to any man."

And our fourth foundation stone is duty to our country.

A Mason is to be a quiet and peaceful citizen, true to his government and just to his country.

I need not dwell upon this thought, for the man who is loyal to his God, his neighbor and himself, cannot but be a good citizen. We live in days of doubt and questioning and foreboding. The problems which engage the thoughts of all thinking men are all-important and far-reaching, and upon their solution depends the welfare and perpetuity of the nation. Our legislators in state and nation are framing

deeds done in the body, whose unerring square tests every craftsman's work, whether it be fit to enter into the walls of His temple.

The Mason's belief in God should be a vivid, ever present and living reality, manifesting itself in a life consecrated to His service. It should result in a reverence that will never so far contradict its professed belief as to take in vain that Most Sacred Name. No man who really believes there is a God will ever be guilty of profanity. No Mason who is true to his vows can ever be an ungodly man or a blasphemer of the Almighty.

I am not making of Masonry a Church, and claiming that man will find in the principles and teachings of our sublime Order full satisfaction for his religious longings and the spiritual needs of his soul. Masonry never intrudes upon the domain of the Church of the Living God, but she is content to be its friend and handmaid. She never confounds the Divine and the human. I am only pointing out some of the principles and truths laid down in our symbols, ritual and ceremonials, truths which we are prone to forget, but which are the very essence of all true Masonic life and spirit.

The second fundamental truth of the Order of Freemasonry is duty to our neighbor.

We are taught to admonish him and to reprove him, to protect and to defend him in his property, person and character, to lift him up if he has fallen, to sustain him if he be standing, and to do unto him as we would have him do unto us.

The broad and generous principle of charity, the greatest of all virtues, should control and direct our social relations.

And the world needs this kind and gentle charity, this broad and generous sympathy. There is a mystery in its power that seems related to the central mysteries of the universe of God. It is a necessity to the making of a man what he may and should be. Each individual, whatever his position, talents or wealth, is weak and helpless. On the kindly offices of his fellow men he is dependent at all times for the helping hand, the sympathetic voice, the friendly counsel and the charitable judgment of his motives and actions.

That word charity means love. It is the greatest gift of God to man. Nothing is nearer God, for it is Divinity itself. It is world wide in its need and in its obligation. It meets us at the very portal of our Order, given not exclusively to us as Masons, but shared with all our fellow men, as the best, the dearest and the brightest virtue we can exercise or enjoy. It is obligatory upon us, not merely because it is inculcated by Masonry, but because, both by the law of God and the universal need of man, it is the duty and the crown of every one within and without the Order.

The true Mason is world wide in his sympathy and love. He believes in the fatherhood of God, and consequently in the brother-



that should now chiefly concern us, but *what we are to be*. How are we, as members of this great fraternity, to do our part in the accomplishment of the work to which we believe God has called it? *What is it to be a Mason?*

To answer these questions we must consider the foundation principles upon which the Order is builded, and not content ourselves with its mere ritual and ceremonials. It is not in signs or ritual or ceremonial, nor in Lodges or degrees, that Freemasonry finds its reason for existence. These are not its life and essence. In none of them is its true work, and through none of them does it accomplish its real mission in the world. They are but the outer garb, the visible body, which enshrines the vital principle within. Masonry is more than they all. We may know its history, traditions, achievements and laws; we may have mastered its lectures and secret work; we may understand and interpret its symbolism; and yet the volume of Masonry will be to us a sealed and silent book, until we learn that these are only avenues leading up to the moral edifice beyond, and only emblems of the high realities which enter into the spiritual structure.

What, then, is it to be a Mason, not in form and profession, but in truth and reality?

There are four great and essential principles or duties which Freemasonry inculcates. They are the foundation stones upon which her structure is erected, and if they be taken away, not only is the sanctuary robbed of that which makes it a Holy of Holies, but the entire temple becomes a tottering and crumbling ruin.

The first of these foundation stones is belief in and duty to an overruling Providence, the Supreme Architect of the universe. In the Masonic ritual and ceremonials no truth is so constantly and persistently dwelt upon as is this. The Lodge is opened in God's name, and his guidance and blessing are invoked. It is closed with prayer to Him. As the candidate for Masonic light and wisdom enters the Lodge for the first time, he is admonished that no one should ever attempt important work without seeking God's blessing, and prayer is offered to God that he may devote his life to His service. God's Book is upon the Masonic altar, and no Lodge can be opened without it. Every Mason is solemnly admonished that he should never utter the name of Deity except with reverence and humility. These charges and declarations, which run like a golden thread throughout our ritual, are not designed as empty and meaningless words, but they are its very warp and woof. Does any brother, worthy of the name, believe that a mere verbal acknowledgment of God's existence is all that our tenets demand of him? Lip service is no more acceptable in Masonry than in religion. The same God is the God of both alike. As Masons our lives should produce what our lips profess, that there is a God who has created us, who guides our steps, whose all-seeing Eye beholds the evil and the good, who calls us to judgment for the

In the days of Rome's strength and grandeur, Vespasian and Titus builded the Colosseum. Its foundations were laid deep and wide, and its massive walls rose high above the earth. It seemed strong to withstand the shock of tempests and the devastations of time, and in their pride and self-sufficiency, it became a familiar proverb among the people, "While the Colosseum stands, Rome shall stand." The Colosseum still rears its walls on high, a ruin, to be sure, but a ruin so grand and magnificent in its proportions that it fills the mind of the traveler with awe and wonder as he looks upon it. The great empire has passed away and become but a name in history.

And why? So long as the character of Rome was upright and self-respecting, and her family life pure and sweet, and her civic policy the expression of law and order and justice, she prospered and grew and maintained her prestige as the greatest nation of the world; but when her veins were poisoned with corruption, and her people had become debased and false, when man's honor and woman's purity were no longer esteemed, and her religion became a hollow sham, her dominion crumbled away under the assaults of her enemies.

This has ever been the lesson of history, a lesson repeated in the annals of all those great powers which have risen till they ruled the world, and have fallen in a ruin which they have brought upon themselves.

"As nature wide, our ruins spread; man's death  
Inhabits all things but the thought of man;  
Nor man alone; his breathing bust expires,  
His tomb is mortal; empires die; where now,  
The Roman, Greek? They stalk an empty name;  
Yet few regard them in this useful light,  
Though half our learning is their epitaph."

Nothing is permanent that is not true and good.

We do not, therefore, predicate the life and perpetuity of our Order upon material structures and worldly greatness. Statues and monuments and stately halls may crumble and disappear; empires may totter and crush by their own weight; but so long as the eternal principles upon which the Order of Freemasonry has been founded shall hold sway in the hearts of her adherents, and find exemplification in their lives, so long will her towers rear themselves to the skies, and her temples continue a shrine for the upbuilding of humanity and the preservation and dissemination of God's truth; and only when these principles shall have been forgotten, and these precepts shall have been disowned and disregarded, shall we have cause to fear for her continued existence and her life.

We take honest pride in the growth of our Order in this grand jurisdiction, and with all our imperfections we believe the Order has done somewhat for the dissemination of Masonic truth and principle. But at this turning point in our history, it is of the future, more than of the past, or even the present, that we should think. It is not what we have been, or what we have done, or even, perhaps, what we are,

Fifty years ago the Grand Lodge of Minnesota was organized. There was not then a new Order ushered into existence, but the first stones of a new temple were laid upon the eternal foundation of God's truth as set forth in the principles which had been adopted for the government of an ancient fraternity.

In entering upon his duties, the first Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, with a fitting sense of the solemnity of the occasion, said:

"In full acknowledgment of the responsibility of the office, I hope and trust that the pure principles of our Order will ever guide me to preserve inviolate the ancient rules and usages of our venerable institution \* \* \*. Brethren, \* \* \* show to the world that the Word, that 'great Light of Masonry,' shall be to us the guiding star to ultimate communion with our Supreme Grand Master. Let our Masonic edifice have a firm foundation that future generations shall see we assume not that right to which we are not entitled."

Since the Grand Master uttered this well-considered admonition the history of a half century has been written. Its record cannot now be changed. It is unalterably sealed, and in the grand register of God's chancery it stands for whatsoever the Order of Freemasonry, in this jurisdiction, under the guidance of this Grand Lodge, has done for the strengthening of human weakness, the soothing of human sorrows, the comforting of human woes, the lifting up of fallen humanity, the sweetening of life, the ennobling of character, and the spread and perpetuation of eternal truth.

It is a trite saying that these fifty years of our Grand Lodge existence cover a period that has been most remarkable in the annals of the world. Our state has grown from the weakness of infancy to the strength and vigor of matured manhood. Our nation, in material wealth and political prestige, has developed into one of the foremost powers of the world. In civilization mankind has advanced with giant strides. Wonderful progress has been made in the industrial pursuits; extraordinary achievements have been accomplished in art; brilliant discoveries have been made in the physical sciences, and the researches of philosophy have scattered clouds of darkness and superstition.

Has our Order kept pace with this onward march of the great world's power and wisdom?

In numbers it has grown from a few score to many thousands. In material wealth it has emerged from poverty to affluence. We take pride in the magnitude and grandeur of the temple in the erection of which we have borne an humble part. But it is well, at this time, as we review the past and look into and plan for the future, that we make no mistake, but that we have a realizing sense of what alone can ensure real strength and perpetuity to this or any other institution. Large numbers and great wealth do not always bring these. They may be only aggregations of selfishness and wrong which tower aloft for awhile, but finally crumble and fall by their own weakness.

they should be regarded, THE MEANS to an end, which end is LIFE and LIGHT; that the obligations of the three degrees are fully met by the ability to repeat their letter and to ignore their spirit, then there is hope of future development.

If there is enjoined upon every initiate the desirability of grasping some knowledge of Masonic history which reveals the triumphant progress of Freemasonry around the Globe and emphasizes the splendor of Freemasonry's past and points out by implication new fields which Freemasonry has the right to conquer and must conquer if it is to maintain and to retain its ancient prestige; if the Grand Lodge shall insist that its subordinate Lodges shall become veritable schools of instruction, not only in its ritual, but in the veiled meaning of its symbolism, a symbolism which encrusts in rich profusion the doctrinal formulas of all of its degrees; if it shall set its face like a flint against all innovations liable to contaminate it by the *dry rot* of pseudo-Masonic ideals, innovations which mar its perfect symmetry and distort the beauty of its primitive design; if such views shall control the minds of its future rulers, then, although the *outward* shell of Minnesota Grand Lodge Masonry may be said to have been completed by the labors spent upon it during the first fifty years, the *inward* adornment of this marvelous structure has hardly yet begun.

And although the work, true work, faithful work of ten times twenty-three Grand Masters through ten half centuries may be lavished upon it, and although it may be continuously approximating, still, thank God! it shall never reach such a state of perfection that those who love it, venerate it, and toil in its behalf, may not find abundant opportunities for more and still more earnest endeavor.

GOD SAVE THE GRAND LODGE OF MINNESOTA!

Music—Characteristic, "Roma," by Clauder.....Orchestra

Address.....M. W. Bro. George Henry Davis

THE GRAND MASTER: The best of the wine has been kept for the last of the feast. It gives me great pleasure to present to you Most Worshipful Brother George Henry Davis, the silver-tongued orator of the Grand Lodge.

*Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:*

Times come to communities and institutions, as well as to individuals, when men are called to pause in the busy work of life, and carefully to consider the past and to plan for the future. Such a time has come to us as we stand at the opening of another half century in the history of this Grand Lodge. It is a significant period. We stand at one of the cross ways of life. We look backward, to read the story of the past, and forward, to profit by whatsoever of knowledge and wisdom experience has brought to us.

He was initiated in Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 35, Hastings, Minnesota, December 18, 1871; passed January 1st, and raised January 11, 1872. In 1875 he affiliated with Cataract Lodge, No. 2, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and in 1878 became a charter member of Appleton Lodge, No. 137, of which Lodge he is still a member. He was Master of his Lodge for seven years, and has held every other office in the gift of his Lodge. He entered the Grand Lodge in 1881, and has attended every Annual Communication since that time. In the Grand Lodge he has been an active member, serving on important committees, and was chairman of the Committee on Returns of Lodges for a number of years. In 1887 he was appointed Grand Sword Bearer and in 1892 Grand Standard Bearer. He was elected Junior Grand Warden in 1898, Senior Grand Warden in 1899, and Deputy Grand Master in 1900. At the Annual Communication in 1902 he was elected Grand Master. He was exalted as a Royal Arch Mason in Eahtonka Chapter, No. 64, at Ortonville, Minnesota, in which he is at present King; was created Knight, and is a member of Bethel Commandery, No. 19, Morris, Minnesota, and is a member of St. Paul Council, No. 1, R. & S. M., St. Paul, Minnesota. He is also an active member of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota.

#### EXPECTATE PAULISPER. ECCE FINIS!

Such is the story of the organization and such were and are the lives of the founders and members of the first Grand Lodge and of the Grand Masters of Minnesota. Of the twenty-three that have held that exalted position nine have laid aside their working tools and have solved the greatest of all mysteries. Their deeds, both good and bad, done in the flesh, have been weighed in the balances of Eternal Justice.

Minnesota Grand Lodge Masonry, the work of the nine immortals and of their fourteen associates who have still to do with the things of Time may be compared to some of the great cathedrals across the seas, structures erected by our operative predecessors, and justly described as "poetry in stone," or "frozen music," structures which have been centuries in building and are not yet, nor ever will be, entirely completed.

And so with our own Grand Lodge. Its corner stones were St. John's, Cataract, and St. Paul Lodges, laid fifty years ago to-day. Ames, and Sherburne, and Pierson extended the foundations. As light was given them and as ability was vouchsafed them the other Grand Masters in the evolving years have added to its walls and buttresses, its columns and aisles, its pinnacles and spires.

*The outward shell is completed.* If the genius of the Brotherhood is not choked by the slavish idea that ritualistic perfection is Masonic perfection; that the ceremonies of the Lodge are *the end*, and not, as







*Irationally yours.*

*A.D. Countryman*

THE TWENTY-THIRD GRAND MASTER.

1902.

Grand Warden in 1900, and Grand Master in 1901, serving one year in each of these positions. Of the Masonic Veteran Association he is an active member.

Brother Ives has also been honored in other organizations, having served as Grand Master of the Odd Fellows in 1881 and Department Commander of the G. A. R. in 1900. He organized the movement for an Odd Fellows' Home and Orphan Asylum and was President of that organization for ten years, finally retiring from the position after the objects of the Association had been accomplished and the Home erected and in successful operation at Northfield, Minnesota.

### AMBROSE DEMETRIUS COUNTRYMAN,

Twenty-third Grand Master.

1902.

The present incumbent of the Grand East is of German descent and also of revolutionary stock. His great grandfather was an officer in the War for Independence. He was born in Fine, St. Lawrence County, New York, February 8, 1850, and in 1855 he moved with his parents to Nininger, Minnesota, passing his early days on a farm and securing his education in the public schools of the neighborhood, crowned by a term at Hamline University and a year at the University of Minnesota. Teaching school for several years, he finally graduated in 1874 from the Law Department of Washington University at St. Louis with the degree of LL. B. He commenced and followed the practice of his profession in Minneapolis until 1876, when he removed to Appleton, where he has since resided. In 1874 he was married to Miss Jennie Beswick, and is the father of three children. He has held numerous positions of trust, both private and public. He was a member of the Board of County Commissioners of Swift County for four years, Judge of Probate for seven years, and has been Secretary of the Board of Education for the past twenty years. In the State Senate he has served as Assistant Secretary in the sessions of 1897 to 1903 inclusive.

It may be said that Grand Master Countryman was born a Mason. In a paper read before the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota in 1896 he said:

"I was a Mason in spirit when a boy of twelve, I learned the lessons of our Fraternity at my grandfather's knee, so that when at the age of twenty-one I applied for admission to a Masonic Lodge I was not unfamiliar with its principles.

"I have also the distinction of belonging to a family which, consisting of a father and his six sons, can, of itself, open and work a Masonic Lodge, a distinction, I believe, enjoyed but by one other family in the Grand Jurisdiction."

**GIDEON SPRAGUE IVES,**

Twenty-second Grand Master.

1901.

January 19, 1846, Grand Master Ives was born at Dickinson, Franklin County, New York. He attended the schools of his native town until the year 1863, when, with his family, he removed to Potsdam, St. Lawrence County, where he resided until September, 1864, and where he enlisted in the Fiftieth Regiment, New York Volunteers. When this Regiment arrived at the front, owing to its having more than its full complement of men, he was transferred to the Fifteenth Regiment, New York Volunteers, in which Regiment he served until the close of the war, and from which he was discharged June 13, 1865. After his military career was ended Brother Ives continued his education in the St. Lawrence and Lawrenceville Academies until the year 1869, when he entered the University of Michigan, and from the Law Department of the University he was graduated in April, 1871. In the spring of 1871 he was admitted to the Bar by the Supreme Court of Michigan, and in September of that year he moved to Minnesota, settled at St. Peter, and commenced the practice of his profession in that city, where he has resided until January of this year, when he became a resident of St. Paul.

September 24, 1873, Brother Ives was married to Miss Mary E. Swift, a daughter of ex-Governor Henry A. Swift, of Minnesota. They have two sons, one, Henry A. Swift Ives, a student in the State University, and the other, Warren Livingston Ives, is a recent graduate of Princeton.

Brother Ives served as County Attorney of his county for four years and as City Attorney of St. Peter for several years. At the general election in 1886 he was elected to the State Senate from his district and served in that capacity for the period of four years, and at the election held in 1890 was elected Lieutenant Governor of the State and served one term in this office. Brother Ives was a candidate for the nomination of Governor of the State on the Republican ticket in 1892, but finally withdrew his name and Mr. Knute Nelson was nominated. He was appointed under the act of the Legislature of 1901 as a member of the State Tax Commission for the purpose of drafting a suitable tax code for the State, and served in that capacity for the period of about one year.

He commenced his Masonic life in New York, where in Racket River Lodge, No. 213, located at Potsdam, he was initiated April 17th, was passed April 20th, and was raised May 4, 1871. He affiliated with Nicollet Lodge, No. 54, November 7, 1871, and has served as its Master for four terms. April 19, 1873, he was exalted a Royal Arch Mason in St. Peter Chapter, No. 22, R. A. M. He was elected Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge in January, 1899, Senior



*Fraherally yours*

*M. S. Ines*

THE TWENTY-SECOND GRAND MASTER.  
1901.





*W. Brandenburg*

THE TWENTY-FIRST GRAND MASTER.  
1900.

**ALONZO BRANDENBURG,**

Twenty-first Grand Master.

1900.

Schooled in presiding over Grand Bodies by service as Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in 1890 and as Grand Master of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters in 1895, Brother Brandenburg was elected Grand Master in January, 1900, having successively advanced from his first elective office, that of Junior Grand Warden, in 1895, through two terms in 1896 and 1897 as Senior Grand Warden and two more in 1898 and 1899 as Deputy Grand Master.

Brother Brandenburg was born November 1, 1849, in Dayton, Ohio. Within a year his parents moved to Iowa and from thence to Wisconsin, where his early days and school life were passed. Arriving at man's estate he pushed westwardly, and May 1, 1871, he settled at Fergus Falls, and has been engaged in various business enterprises in that prosperous town and city ever since. At present he is the cashier of the First State Bank of Fergus Falls, an institution which was organized largely through his efforts, and a position which previous connections with the Citizens National Bank and the presidency of the Fergus Falls National Bank enables him to fill to the satisfaction of parties connected therewith. As a citizen he has shared in the duties of the hour. He was the first Marshal under the village charter, and when the village was transformed into a city he was elected one of its Councilmen. For seven years from 1882 he was Sheriff of Otter Tail County.

He was one of the earliest initiates of Corner Stone Lodge, No. 99, having received the degrees while the Lodge was working under a dispensation. He was initiated June 19th, passed July 3d, and was raised July 17, 1872. He has been Master of his Lodge for six years, beginning his official career as Junior Deacon, and advancing regularly through all the chairs. In 1873 he was exalted in Fergus Falls Chapter, No. 27, R. A. M., and he has occupied every position in the Chapter and has served as High Priest.

In Cryptic Masonry he received the degrees in St. Paul Council, No. 1, R. & S. M., and was a charter member of Alpha Council, No. 7, R. & S. M., located at Fergus Falls, and has been its Master.

Palestine Commandery, No. 14, K. T., of Fergus Falls, created him a Knight Templar, and his name appears on its roster as having filled all the positions from Junior Warden to Commander, inclusive.

Of the degrees of the Scottish Rite, he has attained the Thirty-second and he is a member of Minneapolis Consistory, No. 2.

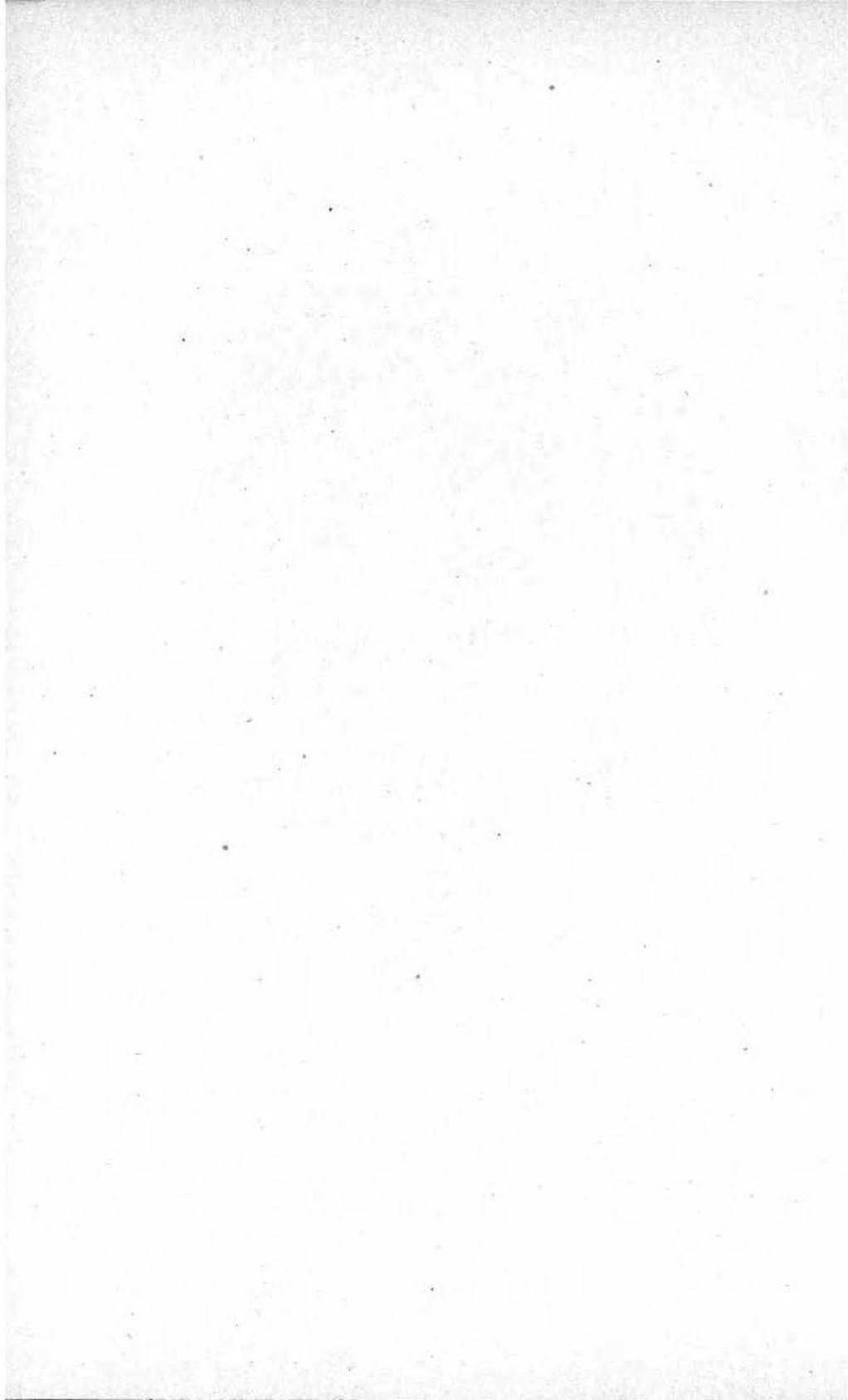
He is an active member of the Masonic Veteran Association.

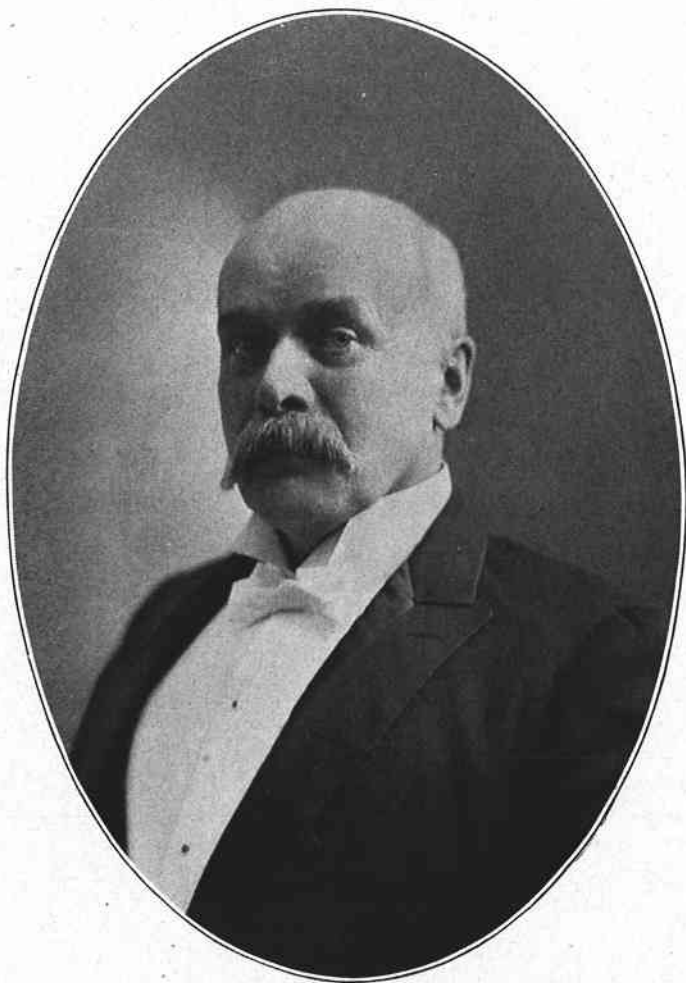
For more than thirty years he has been closely identified with the various interests of the city and county. His advancement and prosperity as a merchant has been gratifying in the extreme and has enabled him to contribute in many ways toward the upbuilding of Rochester, and in him all enterprises of a worthy nature have found a liberal friend and champion. He was among those who assisted in the organization of the Board of Trade, has been a member of the directory since the inception, and has served in the capacity of President, to which office he was elected in 1890. Largely through his efforts the Duluth, Red Wing & Southern Railroad was projected in 1883, and completed three years later. He was also one of the promoters and gave liberally of his time in the organization of the Southern Minnesota Mutual Fire Insurance Company, which was incorporated in October, 1895, and elected him president. The Southern Minnesota Fair Association is another enterprise that has been of untold benefit to Rochester and Olmsted County with which he has been actively identified since its organization. He has been honored by his party in selecting him to represent the County in the Legislature in 1889. In 1894 and 1896 he was elected to the State Senate, executing the duties of the office with distinction and credit and with satisfaction and approval to the district, the foremost interests of which it has always been a pleasure for him to unselfishly conserve.

Brother Stebbins was married in 1871 to Adelaide Stebbins, a native of Vermont, to whom two children have been born, a son and a daughter.

It was not until February 26, 1883, that Brother Stebbins was made a Mason in Rochester Lodge, No. 21. He was passed March 12th and was raised March 26th of that year. He served his Lodge as Junior Warden in 1885, was Senior Warden in 1886 and 1887, and filled the chair of the Master in 1888. He sat as a representative of his Lodge in the Grand Lodge from 1885 until his election as Junior Grand Warden in 1894. He was promoted to the Grand West in 1895 and was the Deputy Grand Master in 1896 and 1897, and was elected Grand Master in 1898 and held the office for two terms.

Brother Stebbins was exalted to the Royal Arch in Halcyon Chapter, No. 8, at Rochester April 27, 1886. He was High Priest of his Chapter in 1896. As a Templar, he was created in Home Commandery, No. 5, K. T., March 17, 1887. He has been Eminent Commander of his Commandery, serving during the year 1891, and was Grand Captain General of the Grand Commandery of the State in 1891. He is a member of all the Scottish Rite Bodies located in Minneapolis.





*Yours Fraturnally*  
*A. S. Robbins*

THE TWENTIETH GRAND MASTER.  
1898-1899.



Brother Lawless was born in Ireland February 26, 1864. He was initiated September 20th, crafted October 18th, and raised December 1, 1886, in United Service Lodge, No. 251, of Ireland. He affiliated with St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, December 2, 1887. He was Senior Deacon in 1889, was Senior Warden in 1890, Worshipful Master in 1891, 1892 and 1893. He was Grand Orator of the Grand Lodge in 1893, Senior Grand Warden in 1894, Deputy Grand Master in 1895, and Grand Master in 1896 and 1897. He was exalted in Palmyra Chapter, No. 55, R. A. M., May 22, 1894; is a member of St. Paul Council, No. 1, R. & S. M., and of Paladin Commandery, No. 21, K. T., of St. Paul. He has received all the Scottish Rite degrees, including the Thirty-third and last. For a year or more preceding his removal from St. Paul he was Commander of De Molai Preceptory, Knights Kadosh, No. 1.

Brother Lawless entered the railroad service in Ireland as early as 1878. In St. Paul he was connected with various positions in the Great Northern Railway, having been successively agent, relief agent, chief clerk to the manager of the express service, auditor and superintendent. He served continuously until December 1, 1898, when, on leave of absence, he returned to Europe for a few months of needed rest. On his return to America he re-entered the service as general auditor for the Pacific Coast Company, with headquarters at Seattle, Washington. Within a recent period he has been promoted to a higher position in the same line of work. He now resides at San Francisco, California.

#### ALONZO THOMAS STEBBINS,

Twentieth Grand Master.

1898—1899.

Brother Stebbins is a native of Mansfield, Massachusetts, and was born September 21, 1847. With his parents he had resided in New Hampshire and Vermont previously to his removal to Minnesota in 1857, where the family settled on a farm not far from Utica, Winona County. He became a student in the high school at Chatfield in 1860, and a year later he entered the high school at Winona, where he remained for three years. When he was seventeen he had the advantage of a winter's training in a commercial college at Boston, Massachusetts.

On his return to Minnesota his practical business life began as a clerk in a hardware establishment in Winona, from which he resigned a year later to accept the position of station agent for the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad at Utica. He afterwards acted as book-keeper for the largest grain dealers in the State, and in July, 1871, he removed to Rochester and began his career as a merchant, and has followed it to the present time.

the obligations and teachings of Masonry and an active supporter of the institution. He served one term as Junior Warden of his mother Lodge, and, on dimitting and joining Golden Sheaf Lodge, No. 133, on his removal to Morris, he became Secretary and afterwards Worshipful Master of that Lodge. He was elected Senior Grand Warden in 1892, Deputy Grand Master in 1893, and Grand Master in 1894 and 1895. His record as Grand Master speaks for itself. It shows a faithful attention to the arduous duties of the office and a fearless adherence to and application of Masonic principles.

### CUI BONO?

It was Brother Brown who, when information came to him that political methods were being introduced into the affairs of the Grand Lodge, vigorously denounced the instigators and beseeched and urged the brethren to respect the dignity and honor of the Fraternity by discountenancing efforts of the sort. The admonition unhappily fell upon deaf ears.

"It came and faded  
Like a wreath of mist at eve,  
Which melted in the viewless air."

Brother Brown was one of the first three to be exalted in Mount Lebanon Chapter, No. 47, R. A. M., March 11, 1886. He was created a Templar in Melita Commandery, No. 17, K. T., of Litchfield, May 13, 1886, and is a charter member and Past Commander of Bethel Commandery, No. 19, K. T., of Morris.

He is a Thirty-second degree Mason, and belongs to the Scottish Rite Bodies of Minneapolis. He became a member of the Masonic Veteran Association as soon as he had reached the age of eligibility.

Brother Brown was married in 1879 to Miss Annette Marlow of Willmar, and by this union five children have been born to them, four daughters and a son. The eldest daughter died in infancy. Brother Brown still resides in Morris, though his vocation calls for his continual presence at the Capitol of the State where the Supreme Court is in almost constant session.

### JAMES FREDERICK LAWLESS,

Nineteenth Grand Master.

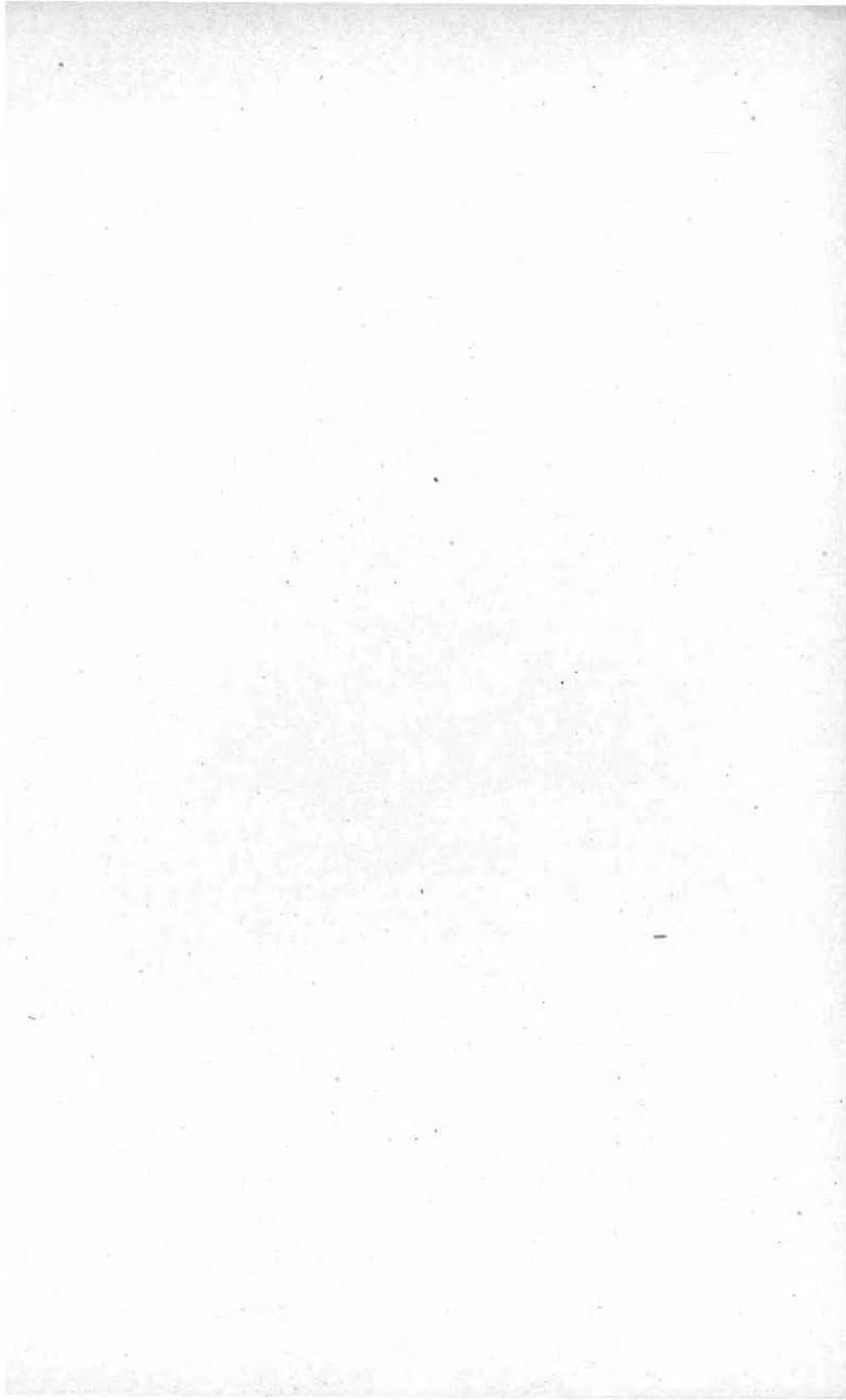
1896-1897.

It is as impossible to make bricks without straw to-day as in the time of Moses and the Pharaohs. The historian has been unable to secure any recent information in regard to the life of the Nineteenth Grand Master, and is obliged to content himself with a brief transcript from the pages of the "History of St. Paul Lodge, No. 3."



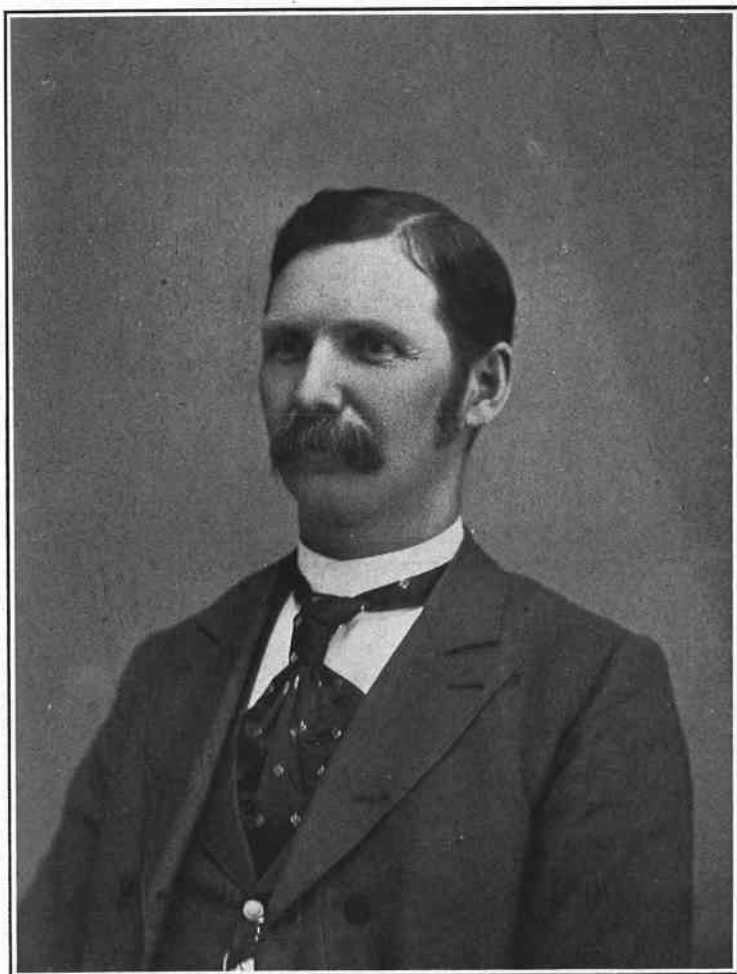
*J. F. Paulsen*

THE NINETEENTH GRAND MASTER.  
1896-1897.









*Fraternally etc*  
*Calvin L. Brown*

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THE EIGHTEENTH GRAND MASTER.  
1894-1895.

tion was adopted, and his idea in action has since kept the "Work" pure and unspotted from the world.

Brother Dickinson had been in failing health for some months before his departure for the Hot Springs in Arkansas in November, 1901. Soon after his arrival a surgical operation was deemed advisable, and two hours after its accomplishment he died, Sunday, December 22, 1901. He was buried in Redwood Falls December 27th under the auspices of the Grand Lodge.

### **CALVIN LUTHER BROWN,**

Eighteenth Grand Master.

1894—1895.

The son of John Harrison Brown, Grand Master in 1887 and 1888, is of New Hampshire birth, where in the town of Goshen he was born April 26, 1854. He is a direct descendant of John Brown, who came from England to this country in 1632 in the ship *Lion*, settling at Stowe, Massachusetts, and of William Brown, who served in the Revolutionary War in Colonel Henry Dearborn's regiment, New Hampshire Continental Line. He came to Minnesota with his parents while yet an infant, and resided in Shakopee, Scott County, until their removal to Willmar, Kandiyohi County, in 1871. In the excellent schools provided for the youth of this State he secured his primary education. Entering his father's office in his boyhood he there laid the solid foundation of his legal training, and conquered the intricacies of the profession he had chosen before attaining his majority. He was admitted to the bar in 1876 and opened an office at Morris, Stevens County, where he has since resided. Devotion to his profession and patient application and study have rewarded him with a successful career. His reputation for honesty and integrity is sufficiently indicated by his repeated election to offices of trust and confidence within the gift of the people of the State. In 1882 he was chosen County Attorney of Stevens County and held the office continuously until 1887, when Governor McGill appointed him Judge of the Sixteenth Judicial District. The appointment was ratified by the voters of the District at the ensuing election, and he held the position without opposition for nearly twelve years, when he resigned to accept a seat on the supreme bench by appointment of Governor Lind. This dignity was confirmed by election, and he now holds the position to the entire satisfaction of the bar and the citizens generally. A leading representative of the press recently said of him: "He is one of the hardest workers and clearest thinkers on the bench."

Brother Brown was made a Mason in Sharon Lodge, No. 104, at Willmar, October 22, 1875; was passed February 21st, and was raised March 15, 1876, and he has been since at all times faithful to

of those trying periods. In August, 1876, he was one of the incorporators of the Minnesota Valley Railway Company, which afterwards built the first railroad to Redwood Falls. He was a member of the School Board of Trustees before the district was organized as an independent district, and had been re-elected many times since, at the time of his death being Treasurer of the Board. He was a delegate to the Republican Congressional convention in 1876, and was Secretary of the Republican Congressional Committee. He was elected President of the Village Council in 1891, took an important part in the incorporation of the city of Redwood Falls that year, was re-elected Mayor of the new city in 1892, was the author of the plan of the present system of water works, and reorganized the fire department. He was re-elected Mayor for the third time in 1893, and served until January 1, 1894. He was a keen financier, a public spirited citizen, where stable institutions could be secured by subscriptions.

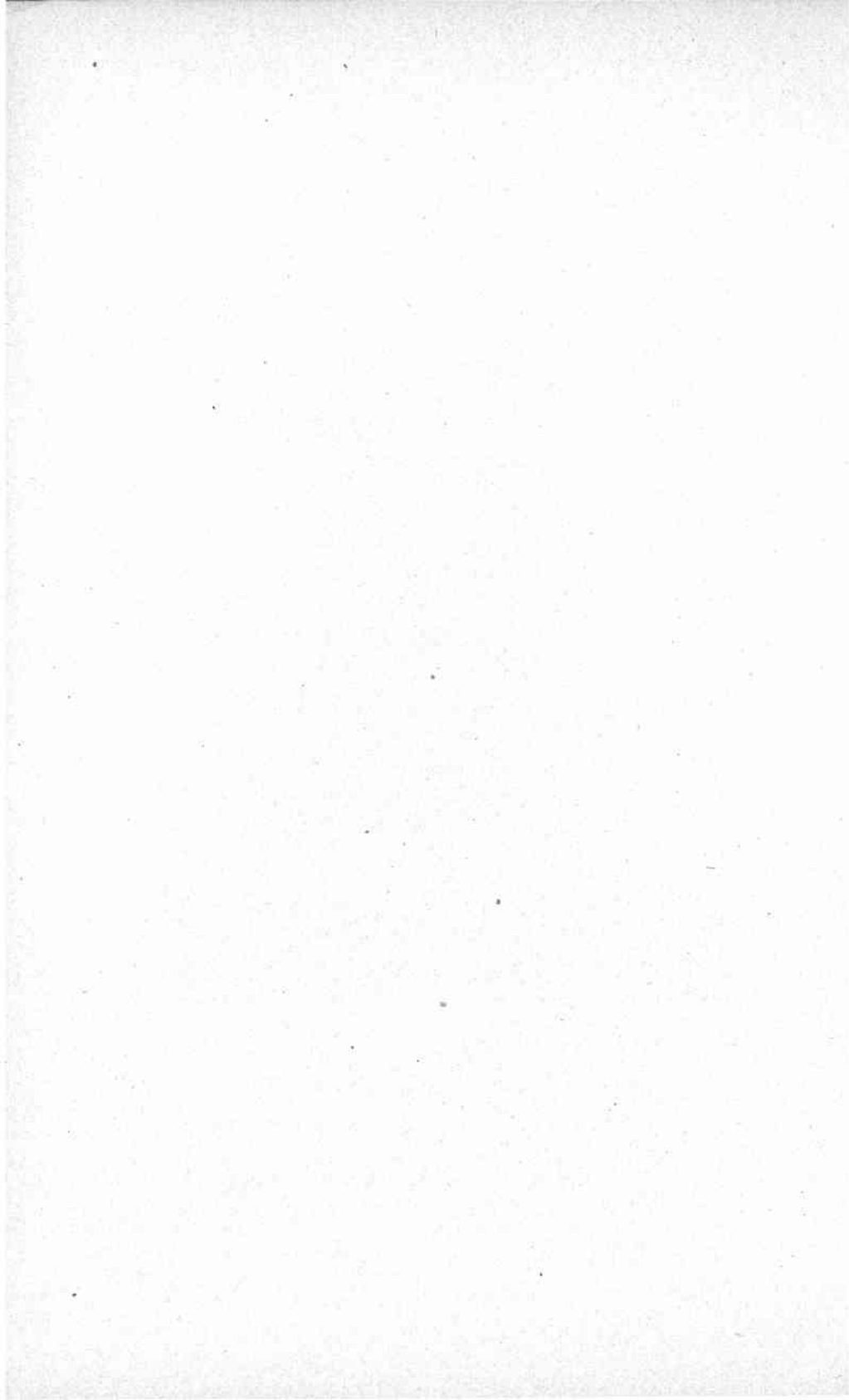
Brother Dickinson was married to Mary M. Wheaton shortly after the close of the war, and they were the parents of two children, Miss Matie Dickinson and George W. Dickinson. The wife, herself an invalid, and the two children, grown into man and womanhood, all survive him.

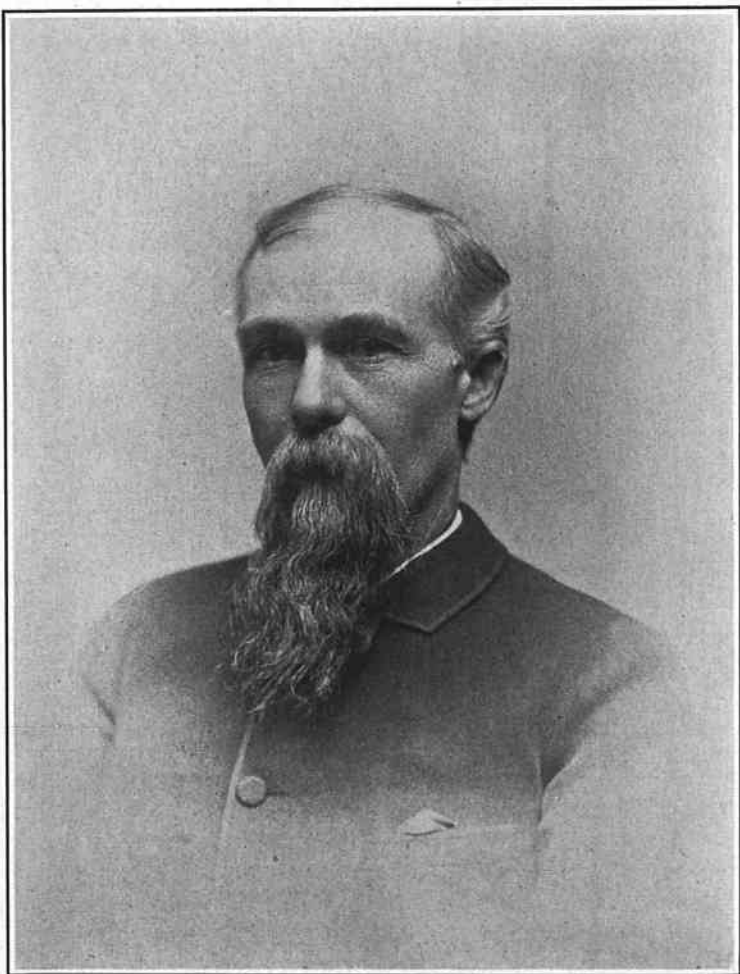
Brother Dickinson became a Mason soon after the close of the war. Star in the East Lodge, No. 33, initiated him July 28th; he was passed August 11th, and he was raised August 15, 1866. He was affiliated with Faribault Lodge, No. 9, August 8, 1870, withdrawing December 25, 1871, and promptly affiliating with Antiquity Lodge, No. 91, February 2, 1872. He was Master of his Lodge in 1876 and in 1882 and 1883, and first appeared in the Grand Lodge in 1876. In this body his first elective office was that of Senior Grand Warden, 1889 and 1890; Deputy Grand Master, 1891 and 1892, and was chosen Grand Master and held the office for the year 1893.

As a Royal Arch Mason he was exalted April 6, 1870, in Owatonna Chapter, No. 15, R. A. M. He affiliated with Tyrian Chapter, No. 6, R. A. M., October 17, 1870, and was a charter member of Redwood Falls Chapter, No. 34, R. A. M., at its organization October 14, 1879. He had served in this Chapter eight times as High Priest and was Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter during the year 1887-88.

He was dubbed a Templar in Mankato Commandery, No. 4, K. T., February 25, 1879, and was a charter member of Redwood Falls Commandery, No. 15, K. T., and the Eminent Commander in 1890-1900. In 1888 he had been invested with degrees of the A. A. S. R., from the Fourth to the Thirty-second. Of the Masonic Veteran Association he was one of its earliest members.

The lasting impression of Grand Master Dickinson on Grand Lodge polity was his recommendation in his address of 1894 that a Board of Custodians of the Work should be formed. The sugges-





*W. Dickinson*

THE SEVENTEENTH GRAND MASTER.  
1893.

Died December 22, 1901.



T., of Illinois. He dimitted in February, 1871, and was an unaffiliate until Nazarene Commandery, No. 24, of Minnesota, was formed in 1892, and of which he was the third Commander.

In Oriental Consistory he passed through all the degrees in May, 1867, and retained his membership until a year before his death, when he joined Minnesota Consistory, No. 1.

Brother Barto was a Past Grand Commander of the G. A. R., and delighted at its annual reunions and camp-fires in renewing the memory of the struggles through which he had taken a gallant part.

As a politician in the best sense of the word and as a stump speaker he had no equals in Minnesota.

Brother Barto was twice married, and left two sons to mourn his loss.

He died at St. Cloud November 4, 1899, and three days later he was consigned to the grave at Sauk Rapids. The Grand Lodge performed the final obsequies.

#### "YE ANTIENTS" ORGANIZE.

During Brother Barto's last administration, and with his hearty approval and assistance, a new organization came into existence June 23, 1892, the Masonic Veteran Association of the State of Minnesota. Since that time it has grown and prospered and has done much to stimulate the study of the Masonic history of the State. In fact, it is but just to assert that the historical features of this Golden Jubilee would have never existed save through the influence of the Veteran Association.

#### WILLIAM FRANKLIN DICKINSON,

Seventeenth Grand Master.

1893.

Among the earlier settlers in the valley of the Connecticut were the ancestors of Grand Master Dickinson, who was born in the town of Amherst, Massachusetts, March 26, 1843. At the age of fourteen he came west and engaged in the work of the *Rice County Herald*. At the outbreak of the war he was in the South, but returned to Minnesota in April, 1861, and immediately enlisted in Company G, First Minnesota Volunteers, serving continuously until he was mustered out in 1864 with the rank of Sergeant. Engaging in mercantile pursuits at Faribault until 1870, he was then made teller of the First National Bank of that city, and held the position until the autumn of 1871. He then removed to Redwood Falls and opened the "Bank of Redwood Falls," a private bank that passed through the general financial panic of 1873 without a quiver, and as a State bank in 1893, as firmly as in 1873, never closing its doors in either

in the service for upwards of three years, and in the eighteen engagements in which he was present escaped a single wound.

When the war was over he returned to Elgin, was admitted to the bar, served two years as Treasurer of Kane County, and in December, 1869, he removed to Sauk Centre, where the greater part of his active legal life was passed, and where he was the recipient of the many political honors that came to him almost from the commencement of his residence in Minnesota.

In 1872 and 1873 he was a member of the State Legislature, and in the fall of 1873 he was nominated and elected Lieutenant Governor of the State. In 1890 he received the appointment of Register of the Land Office at St. Cloud, moved to that city, and resided there until his death.

Alphonso Barto was a model Mason. If ever a man was prepared to be a shining light in the Fraternity by temperament, by living up to its ideals, by a study of its principles, and by years of training in the holding of its highest official positions, he was the one. He had received his first glimpse of Masonic light in Geneva Lodge, No. 139, of Illinois, November 6th, was crafted November 11th, and was raised November 16, 1861. During the next three years, in camp and on the field of battle, Masonry proved itself to him to be a living, powerful agency in the alleviation of human suffering and in the development of the spirit of human brotherhood. Then and there he learned to love Freemasonry, and he drank deeply in after years of all that Freemasonry could offer. After the war he joined Elgin Lodge, No. 117, of Illinois, by dimit, and on his removal to Sauk Centre he affiliated with Star in the West Lodge, No. 60, April 29, 1871. Ten years later he sat in the Grand Lodge as Worshipful Master of his Lodge, and his name appears on the records as a regular attendant until his death. Having filled several appointive offices he was elected Junior Grand Warden in 1886, Senior Grand Warden in 1887 and 1888, Deputy Grand Master in 1889 and 1890, and was Grand Master in the years 1891 and 1892. That he filled this exalted position to the highest satisfaction of the members of the Grand Lodge was a matter of course.

Barto had received the Capitular degrees, as well as those of the Commandery and of the Scottish Rite, before his removal to Minnesota. In Fox River Chapter, No. 14, R. A. M., of Illinois, the first three steps were given him January 29th, and he was exalted February 3, 1866. Dimitting October 5, 1866, he became a charter member of L. L. Munn Chapter, No. 96, R. A. M., of Elgin. In that Chapter he served one year as P. S. and one year as Treasurer. He dimitted March 20, 1869, and remained unaffiliated until the organization of Sauk Centre Chapter, No. 49, R. A. M., of which he was and remained a charter member.

On January 2, 1867, he received the Order of the Red Cross, and was created a Templar in Sycamore Commandery, No. 15, K.





*A. Barto*

THE SIXTEENTH GRAND MASTER.

1891-1892.

Died November 4, 1899.

thing for the protection of the Craft and adopt any measure which it thinks for the good of its subordinate Lodges."

The report went over for consideration to the afternoon session when it was adopted by a vote of ayes, 262; noes, 110, and by its terms the reception or the conferring of Cerneau degrees in Minnesota were emphatically declared to be Masonic crimes.

It meant more than that. If plain English words are capable of expressing what they ordinarily mean it asserted beyond a shadow of doubt that the Grand Lodge of Minnesota was absolutely *supreme* within its territorial jurisdiction, and that all other Masonic or so-called Masonic bodies were to be tolerated or otherwise as the Grand Lodge should order. So long as these resolutions remain unrepealed there is, and can be, but *one* Masonic power in the North Star State. All other Masonic organizations, by whatever name they may be known, exist and can exist only through the courtesy of the Grand Lodge.

#### ALPHONSO BARTO,

Sixteenth Grand Master.

1891—1892.

"The story of his life may be briefly told so far as the salient facts are concerned, but that certain other something, intangible and yet permeating his existence and exhaled by his genial nature always and ever, as sweet as the violet's perfume, to be felt rather than expressed, no one may adequately describe. His unbounded good will went out to all, high or low, rich or poor, without reserve and without distinction. He was a model husband and father, a true friend, a kind neighbor, a good citizen, an honest man, and the richest legacy he leaves to his wife and children is an unsullied name."

In such brief but just words a warm personal friend had formulated the impression that had been made upon him by that undefinable influence which dominated every one who came in contact with Alphonso Barto, the son of William R. and Mary Sage Barto, who was born on a Vermont farm May 27, 1834, in the town of Hainesburgh, Chittenden County. The family was of French extraction. His great grandfather, having come to this country in colonial days, had taken an active part in the Revolutionary struggle. When a boy of four years of age he moved with his parents to Ferrisburgh, Addison County, and in the intervals of work on a farm attended school and began himself to teach at the age of fifteen.

In 1855 he removed to Illinois and settled at Elgin where he commenced the study of law, supporting himself meanwhile by farming. When the War of the Rebellion ensued Barto enlisted as a private in Company K, Fifty-second Illinois Infantry, and step by step he was promoted until he had attained the rank of Captain. He was

During the several administrations of Brother Kiester, as Acting Grand Master and as Grand Master, much important work was done. A Grand Lodge Library, specially recommended by him, was established, and a revised ritual for the dedication of Lodges was prepared under his direction.

Three Grand Masters were buried during his term of office. The obsequies of Grand Master Pierson and Grand Master Brown were conducted by Brother Kiester, while on account of illness those of Grand Master Benton were relegated to Deputy Grand Master Barto. Brother Kiester had the responsibility of appointing a Grand Secretary in succession to Brother Pierson. That his choice has been ratified by repeated elections since is conclusive evidence of the wisdom of the selection. In 1894 he was elected to Honorary Membership in the Masonic Veteran Association. He has been speaker before the Association on two occasions to the great satisfaction of its members. He has, too, for many years been an occasional contributor to the Masonic press. Of such contributions these were published in *The Voice of Masonry*, and bore the following titles: "Peculiarities of Ancient Craft Masonry," August, 1876; "Masonic Festivals," November, 1876; "The Grand Lodge of Minnesota," February, 1877; "The Secret Teacher," November, 1877; "The Unity of the American Masonic System," April, 1894.

Brother Kiester has been for many years the accredited representative, near our Grand Lodge, of the M. W. Grand Lodges of Nova Scotia, Texas, and New York.

### CERNEAUISM AND GRAND LODGE SOVEREIGNTY.

After indefinite mutterings for several years in Minnesota the Cerneau controversy came to a head at the Annual Communication of 1890. Grand Master Kiester dissected the problem in all its bearings in his annual address. It was referred to a special committee having Past Grand Master Benton as chairman, who at the morning session of the third day, January 17th, presented an elaborate and masterly report. The *kernel* and *pith* of the matter were thus stated:

"It is also the opinion of your committee that it is not only the right but the duty of this Grand Lodge to say that only one Scottish Rite body shall build upon its degrees, and to say which one may do so. If our Grand Lodge does not do this, its own integrity will be endangered and its stability shaken. Surely no man or body of men not authorized to do so by this Grand Lodge can confer any of the degrees of this Grand Lodge within this jurisdiction. It is equally clear that no society or body of men, whether styling themselves Masonic or not, can adopt the three degrees which belong to this Grand Lodge or make them, or any of them, the base upon which to erect what they are pleased to term other degrees, except only such bodies as this Grand Lodge pleases to recognize as Masonic and to allow to do so. Surely, too, this Grand Lodge can do any-



from office and business affairs, having been in public office continuously over thirty-five years. During the preceding years he had also held minor offices, as Town Supervisor, County Commissioner, School Trustee, and School Examiner, and had been also engaged in the law, real estate and insurance business.

Brother Kiester was married in 1859 to Miss Caroline Billings, a daughter of an early settler of the county. They have had six children, one of whom died in infancy. He and all his family have been for many years members of the Protestant Episcopal Church at Blue Earth City.

Brother Kiester was made a Mason in Blue Earth Valley Lodge, No. 27, March 1, 1859. Fourteen years elapsed before he was crafted, April 25, 1873, and was raised May 17, 1873, in Blue Earth City Lodge, No. 57. He also received the Capitular Degrees in Mount Horeb Chapter, No. 21, at Winnebago City, in 1873, having been exalted September 17th. After he became a member of the Lodge at Blue Earth City he held various subordinate offices in the Lodge and appeared as Representative in the Grand Lodge as early as 1874. He was Worshipful Master of his Lodge in 1876 and 1877. During his administration he undertook, with the aid of the brethren, the work of securing a library of standard Masonic works, and the Lodge has now one of the best Lodge libraries in the State. At the close of his services as Master in 1877, having declined a re-election, the brethren presented him with a splendid and costly Past Master's jewel as a token of their appreciation of his services.

Having previously read with profound interest that most learned and eloquent of all Masonic publications, "The Morals and Dogma of Freemasonry," by General Albert Pike, Brother Kiester was at Mankato, Minn., in September, 1879, on the occasion of the visit of Brother Pike to institute at that city a Lodge of Perfection, and he, with many others, received the degrees of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, from the Fourth to and including the Fourteenth, from the hands of the Grand Commander of the Southern Jurisdiction himself. In the selection of officers of the new Lodge, he was chosen orator. He subsequently received the remaining degrees, including the Thirty-second, from Deputy Inspectors General Hotchkiss and Montgomery.

Brother Kiester was appointed District Deputy Grand Master for the Fifteenth District by M. W. Brother Benton in 1882, and was reappointed in 1883. He visited every Lodge in his District, and his reports were specially mentioned in the Grand Master's addresses.

In 1884 he was appointed Grand Orator of the Grand Lodge. He delivered his oration at the Communication of the Grand Lodge in 1885 and was elected Senior Grand Warden, and was re-elected in 1886. He was Deputy Grand Master in 1887 and 1888. Brother Kiester received the Templar Degrees October 22, 1889, in Mankato Commandery, No. 4, K. T.

he was admitted to practice in the courts of law and equity in that State. He remained with the Judge until March, 1856, when he returned to Pennsylvania, though still pursuing a well defined legal course.

In June, 1856, he came to the Northwest expecting to settle in St. Paul and to engage in the business of law and in a real estate agency. On the way, having heard of the prospects of Portage City, Wisconsin, and being in no haste to reach his destination, he went there and obtained employment as an assistant to the County Surveyor in running roads and laying out and platting additions to the city. Later, in the fall and winter, he was active in closing and settling the affairs of a large mercantile house, all the partners having gone out of business. His study of law was not forgotten, and while there he appeared several times for parties in Court.

In March, 1857, he proceeded to Minnesota, and having learned that the Capitol was to be removed to St. Peter, he went to that village. The removal scheme did not materialize. April 3, 1857, he first saw Blue Earth City, then a village of five log cabins and a log hotel. In all of Faribault County there were not to exceed three or four hundred people scattered in several settlements. But the land was there in all its primitive beauty and fertility and gave promise of an ultimate future of great wealth and prosperity, and in Blue Earth City Brother Kiester began a period of many years of pioneer life on the border. His early settlement entitles him to be numbered among that honored company, the Territorial Pioneers. As plaintiff's attorney he was engaged in the first law suit tried in the County. Within a brief period he had formed an acquaintance with the Hon. J. B. Wakefield, town site proprietor, Register of Deeds and subsequently State Senator, Lieutenant Governor and Member of Congress, and was appointed his deputy. In the succeeding autumn Brother Kiester was elected County Surveyor, and on the resignation of Mr. Wakefield as Register of Deeds he succeeded him by appointment and was thrice re-elected, and held the position until the close of 1864, when he was chosen Representative in the State Legislature for the Twentieth District, then embracing eight counties in the southwestern part of the State. In 1866 he was County Attorney of Faribault County, and in 1868 he was appointed by the Secretary of the Treasury, Assistant Assessor of U. S. Internal Revenue, and held the office for several years. The office of Judge of the Probate Court having become vacant he was, in August, 1869, appointed to that office by Governor Marshall, and at the next general election was elected to the office and held it by re-election over twenty-one years continuously, eight of such elections having been effected by the unanimous votes of the people. His term of service as Judge ended with the close of 1890, and, not desiring re-election, he was elected that year by a large majority State Senator for four years. At the end of his Senatorial term, January, 1895, he retired





Fraternally Yours  
J. A. Kierker

THE FIFTEENTH GRAND MASTER.  
1889-1890.

No. 39, at Litchfield, was organized through his assistance, and he was its High Priest for three years. In 1886 he was elected Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of the State, having served as Grand King and Grand Scribe during the two preceding years. As a Mason Grand Master Brown was a model Craftsman. He loved the Brotherhood for its inherent worth, and grasped its possibilities for the elevation of humanity. Himself frank, outspoken and giving his services to the Craft without a thought of personal advancement, he hated the Masonic politician and despised the Masonic office hunter. To him a Masonic Lodge was as sacred a place as the church, and what he would not countenance nor tolerate in the latter was unthinkable in the former. While yet Grand Master, in the fall of 1888, his health began to fail, and although there were several promises of recovery yet the end was gradually and surely approaching. His Masonic cares in regard to the Grand Lodge were transferred to the Deputy Grand Master, and he died January 20, 1890.

The Grand Lodge conducted the last rites of the Fraternity, and in Fairview Cemetery, at Willmar, he rests in peace.

#### JACOB ARMEL KIESTER.

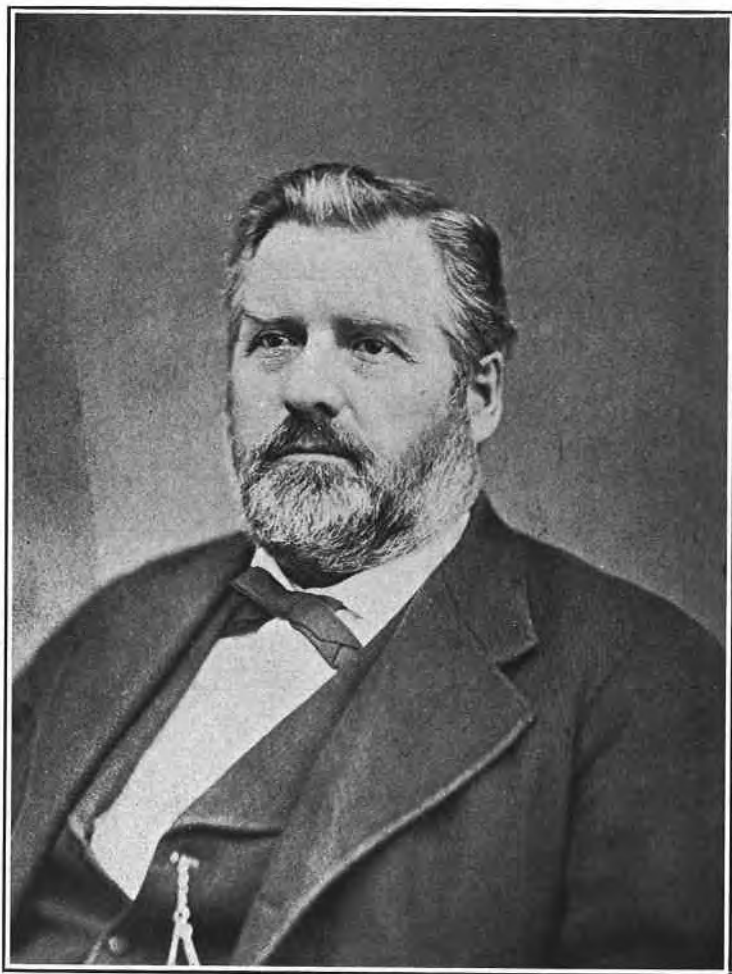
Fifteenth Grand Master.

1889—1890.

The affairs of the Grand Lodge were placed by Grand Master Brown in the hands of Deputy Grand Master Kiester, in December, 1888, who delivered the Annual Address of 1889, reciting the official acts of the Grand Master for the year. He was elected Grand Master in regular succession January 17, 1889, and served for two years.

Brother Kiester is a native of Pennsylvania, where he was born April 29, 1832, at Mount Pleasant, Westmoreland County. His paternal great-grand parents, residents of Alsace while it was still a province of France, came to America before the American Revolution and located in Pennsylvania. Brother Kiester attended the village schools until he was about sixteen years old when, in his native town, he entered a large general store as clerk to learn the business of general merchandising and bookkeeping. Having passed four years in this employment he commenced a regular course of study in Mount Pleasant College, and afterwards became a student of Dickinson College, where, in connection with other studies, he began to read law.

Late in 1854 he was called to Madison, Indiana, to assist an uncle who carried on an extensive forwarding and commission business in that city. The legal studies were still continued under the direction of Judge S. C. Stevens, a prominent lawyer and at one time an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Indiana. In September, 1855.



*John A. Brown*

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THE FOURTEENTH GRAND MASTER.

1887-1888.

Died January 20, 1890.



on him in Coeur de Lion Commandery, No. 3, K. T., in 1866; that of Knight Templar on April 13th. He withdrew in 1868; is a charter member of Home Commandery, No. 5, K. T., and is a Past Commander. He has received the degrees of the Scottish Rite, and was made Knight Commander of the Court of Honor October 18, 1888, and was elected an Inspector General Honorary October 20, 1897. He is an honorary member of the Masonic Veteran Association.

His Masonic character is summed up by an intimate friend:

"Always enthusiastic, always taking the position of some member who was unable to attend, knowing all of the work in all of the degrees and in possession of a peculiarly strong memory, he was enabled to elucidate the work verbatim. He was an unquestioned authority in all Masonic matters, never answering a question until he had studied it and mastered the Masonic history of the subject. He has the kindest of dispositions, and while a silent man, and a man of strong prejudices upon many questions, his heart is as tender as that of a child. No one could ask of him a favor which ought to be granted and which he could grant but what it was freely given."

Brother Gove was married August 21, 1851, to Miss Nancy A. Farnham of Vermont. They have had nine children, five of whom are still living.

#### JOHN HARRISON BROWN,

Fourteenth Grand Master.

1887—1888.

The new Grand Master had passed the age of thirty when he was initiated in Shakopee Lodge, No. 6, March 26th; passed April 2d, and raised April 9, 1856. He had joined the Fraternity as the result of a deep conviction of its value, and his years and training had allowed the teachings of the Lodge to impress upon him at the very beginning the essential dignity of Freemasonry, and that its outward forms were only employed to develop the lessons of its hidden meaning.

Frivolity in Lodge or Grand Lodge was promptly suppressed when Grand Master Brown had possession of the gavel. No one present on a certain occasion in Grand Lodge when a ripple of applause passed over it will ever forget his firm but gentle admonition, as he called the Grand Lodge to order, "Brethren, do not forget that you are in a Masonic Lodge!"

John Harrison Brown was born in Rutland, Vermont, May 1, 1824. Deprived of a father at the age of four, he moved with his mother and her children to New Hampshire where he resided until his removal to Minnesota in 1855. To the plain living of his early life and to his strenuous labor on a farm he ascribed the magnificent

the Court of Honor by the Supreme Council at Washington October 20, 1886. He has served as Master of Excelsior Lodge of Perfection, No. 2, Minneapolis, and is a member of the Masonic Veteran Association.

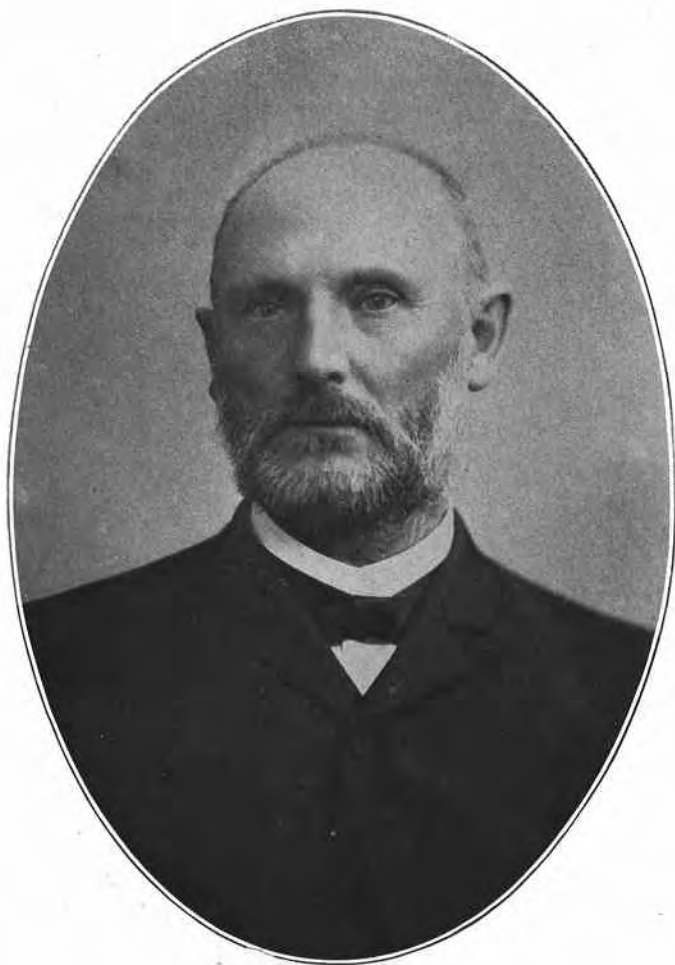
**ROYAL HATCH GOVE,**

Thirteenth Grand Master.

1886.

Brother Gove was born at Strafford, Orange County, Vermont, January 16, 1830. The public and private schools of the town and an academic course of study at Thetford, Vermont, and Meriden, New Hampshire, afforded him an opportunity of gaining a sound education. From the age of eighteen for two years he was in commercial pursuits at Boston, and for three years succeeding he taught school in Vermont, New Hampshire, and Illinois. Returning to Vermont he passed the next two years on a farm. In 1856 he transferred his affairs to Wisconsin, residing for a time at Dell Prairie in that State, and engaged in the business of buying grain. While so employed he had occasion to go to St. Charles, Rochester and Kasson and determined to settle in Minnesota. In the latter town he resided for some months, but having been appointed Collector of Internal Revenue at Rochester, he made that city his home in 1864, and has since resided there. For the first few years he followed his old occupation, but when in 1870 he was elected Justice of the Peace he commenced the study of law, and pursued it diligently until he was admitted to practice and had formed a partnership with the Hon. R. A. Jones, Past Deputy Grand Master of Minnesota, who afterwards was appointed Chief Justice of the Supreme Bench of Washington Territory. They were partners for many years, partners in every sense of the word, partners in their Masonic experiences, and the warmest of personal friends. No labor was too arduous, no distance too great for either of them to travel when the interests of Masonry demanded it.

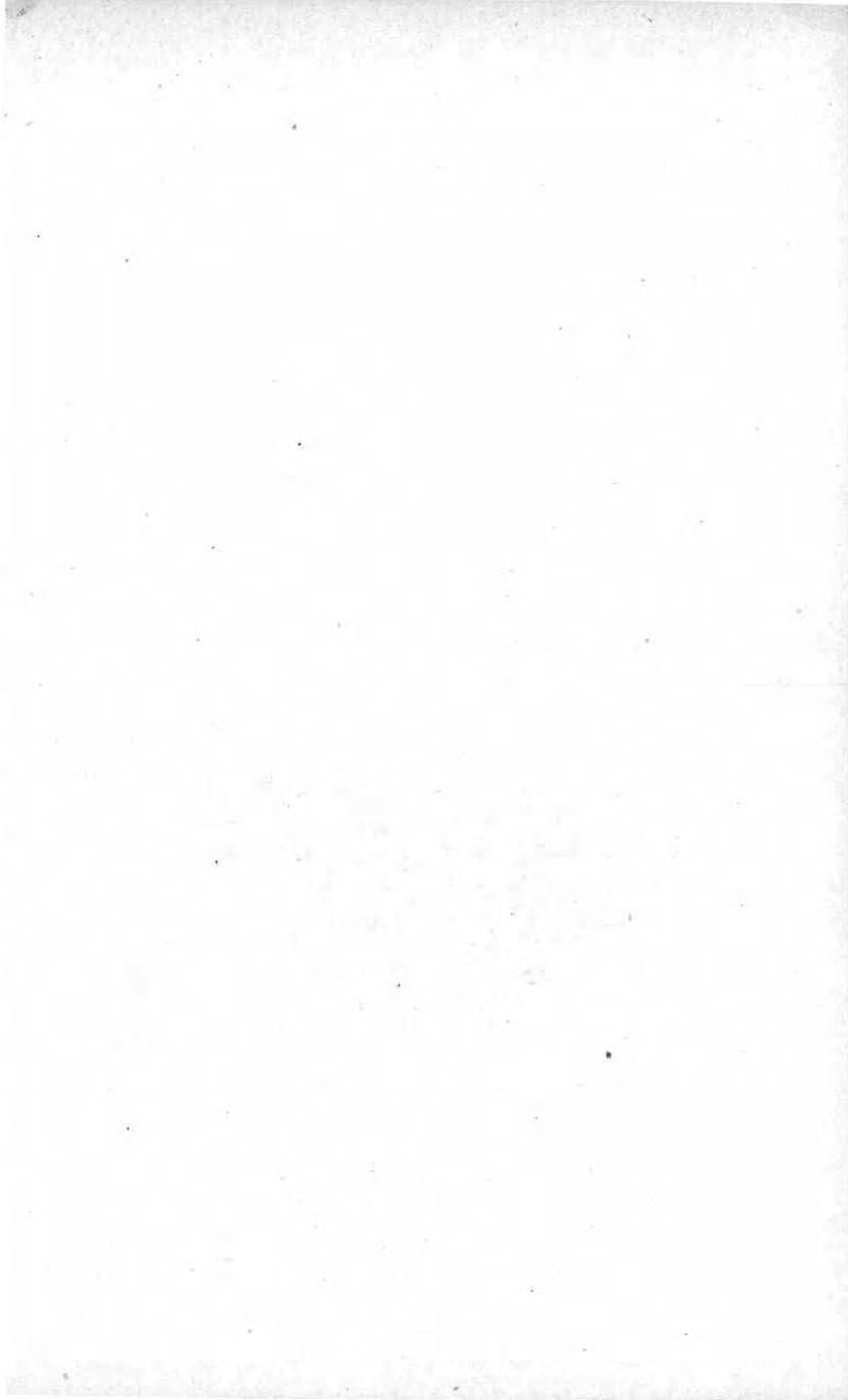
Soon after he became a resident of Rochester he petitioned for the degrees in Rochester Lodge, No. 21; was initiated June 19th, was passed June 29th, and was raised July 3, 1865. Taking an active interest in the Fraternity he rapidly passed through various subordinate positions and was elected Master in 1878 and served at intervals for nine terms. In the Grand Lodge he appeared as a representative in 1869 and rarely missed a meeting until failing health forbade. He was elected Junior Grand Warden in 1881 and 1882, Senior Grand Warden in 1883, Deputy Grand Master in 1884 and 1885, and Grand Master in 1886. In Capitular Masonry he was exalted November 25, 1865, in Halcyon Chapter, No. 8, of Rochester. He has been High Priest of his Chapter. The Orders of Knighthood were conferred

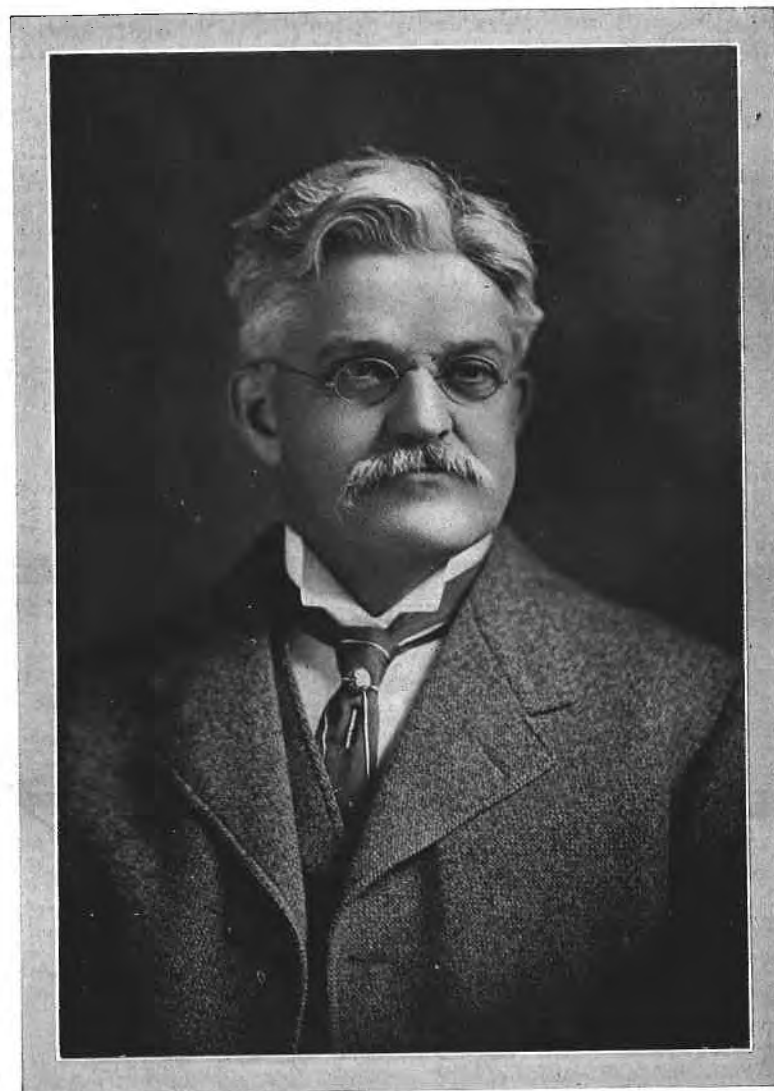


*Fraternal Jones*

*Royal H. Love*

THE THIRTEENTH GRAND MASTER.  
1886.





*R.E. Drinfeld*

M. W. GRAND MASTER OF MASONS OF MINNESOTA  
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**ELECTED.**

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R. W. ALFRED G. PINKHAM,	St. Paul,	Deputy Grand Master
R. W. ALBERT BERG,	Spooner,	Senior Grand Warden
R. W. WILLIAM N. KENDRICK,	Spring Valley,	Junior Grand Warden
R. W. DAVID W. KNOWLTON,	Minneapolis,	Grand Treasurer
R. W. JOHN FISHEL,	St. Paul,	Grand Secretary

**APPOINTED.**

W. J. F. D. MEIGHEN,	Albert Lea,	Grand Orator
W. WILL S. EMERY,	Lakefield,	Grand Chaplain
W. GEORGE M. STOWE,	Wadena,	Senior Grand Deacon
W. EDMUND A. MONTGOMERY,	Minneapolis,	Junior Grand Deacon
W. FREDERICK E. JENKINS,	Faribault,	Grand Marshal
W. JAMES R. BENNETT, JR.,	St. Cloud,	Grand Standard Bearer
W. HERMAN HELD,	New Ulm,	Grand Sword Bearer
W. JAMES M. MCCONNELL,	Mankato,	Senior Grand Steward
W. EDWIN C. HACKETT,	Rochester,	Junior Grand Steward
W. ELISHA J. MORCOM,	Soudan,	Grand Pursuivant
W. JOHN H. LUDWIG,	St. Paul,	Grand Tyler

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RICHARD D. COLLINS, Windom.	

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